

CHURCHILL ASKS FOR GENERAL ELECTION

Attacks Government For Devaluation Policy

"THE HOUR IS GRAVE"

London, September 28.
Mr. Winston Churchill in a slashing attack on the Labour government, asked today for an early general election in this "serious and strange hour" of Britain's history.

World's Biggest Motor Show Opens In London

London, September 28.
The world's largest motor show opened at Earl's Court, London, this morning with nearly 200 cars displayed. There are 32 British makes while American, French and Italian firms occupy 21 sections of the floor space. Three new British cars are making their first public appearance today. They are: the Standard Company's Triumph Mayflower saloon, which has a 1,247 c.c. four cylinder engine and an attractive "knife edge" body design, an ERA Javelin high performance sports car, introduced by Jowett, and a new Rover "75" which was shown in London privately last week. —Reuter.

Efforts To Defend Kukong

Canton, September 28.
Nationalist reinforcements from Canton and Hunan Province are being despatched to Kukong, on the Canton-Hankow Railway. The Red forces were last reported to be 15 miles East of Kukong. The Nationalists are preparing a counter-offensive on this front. A division of General Liu An-chi's troops is pushing Eastward from Kukong along the highway towards Ching and Nanshiung. Government troops are also hitting back at the Reds in the Yungyun area, 150 miles North North East of Canton. In South-East China, the Communists are regrouping and positioning their forces on the mainland in preparation for an all-out attack on the island of Amoy. They have commandeered junk and other small craft for an amphibious operation.

Amoy Battle

Attempts to land at Amoy in junks from Aowow, North East of the city, were foiled. General Tang Sheng-chih, commander in Nanking at the time of the Japanese occupation in 1937, has defected from the Nationalist side and is organising a "liberation army" in West Hunan Province, according to the Chinese press. General Tang, an old-style warrior and one-time director General of Military Training, held no command in the recent fighting. —Reuter.

The Weather

At 0600 GMT (3 p.m. HKST) a ridge of high pressure extends from NE China to the Pacific E. of Japan. Pressure is relatively low over the Philippines and over the Pacific to the Eastward.
Today's Forecast: Moderate E. winds, fair apart from isolated showers.
Yesterday's Weather:
Maximum: 32.5 deg. F.
Minimum: 76.2 deg. F.
Sunshine: 1.2 hours.
Rainfall: 0.5 mm (0.02 in). Total since 1-1-1947: 22.5 mm (0.89 in).
Average of 1947: 19.2 mm (0.76 in).
Readings at:
Baro. at sea level: 1013.2 m.b.
Equiva. 23.91 23.56 inches.
Rel. Humidity: 90 86 %
Dew Point: 76 76 deg. F.
Wind-Direction: S by E 6 m.p.h.
Wind-Force: 10 9 knots.
Tides:
High 0205 12
Low 1025 22

London Stock Exchange Busy



Photos show expression studies at the London stock exchange and banks after reopening following devaluation. Left: Clerk dashes into stock exchange entrance. Centre: Cashier in Barclay's Bank, Fleet Street, emerges from vaults with wastepaper basket dripping with currency notes. Right: Jobber streaks out of stock exchange with favourable quotation while colleagues in background note developments on market in notebooks. (AP Photos).

General Festing Going Home For Medical Check-Up

Hong Kong's General Officer Commanding-in-Chief, Lieutenant-General F. W. Festing, CB, CBE, DSO, will leave by air shortly for the United Kingdom for medical examination.

It was officially announced yesterday that Major-General G. C. Evans, Commander, 40 Infantry Division, will assume temporary command during General Festing's absence.

General Festing, suffering from a sinus ailment, was admitted to hospital last week. Once described as "the kind of a guy you might imagine would have walked about gleefully with Robin Hood and Friar Tuck," General Festing is six foot, four inches tall. He is keenly interested in sports. He holds high awards from the British and American Governments and is regarded as one of the best military chiefs in the British Empire. He was appointed GOC-in-Chief, Hong Kong, on June 23, and arrived here in July. General Festing was born in 1902. He is the son of Brigadier-General Festing and grandson of Major-General Sir Francis Festing. His father served in the Qandarian Campaign, the South African war, and in the 1914-18 World War. General Festing was educated at Winchester and Sandhurst. He was commissioned in the Rifle Brigade in 1921. In 1924 he passed out of the Staff College as Brevet Major. At the outbreak of World War II, he was an instructor at the Staff College. Burma Command. Following relinquishment of the command of the 2nd Battalion, East Lancashire Regiment, he commanded an Infantry Brigade during the Madagascar campaign and was awarded the DSO. Later, General Festing was appointed to command the 35th Division in the India-Burma war theatre. Subsequently, he commanded the 2nd Division. When Japan surrendered to the Allies in 1945, General Festing was transferred to Hong Kong as General Officer Commanding Land Forces here. In 1947, he was appointed Director of Weapons and Development at the War Office. General Festing is married and has three sons. He was awarded the CBE in 1945 and the CB the following year. The United States Government conferred the honour of Commander, Legion of Merit, on General Festing in 1945.

Re-Settlement Of Shanghai Portuguese

Shanghai, September 28.
Arrangements for the wholesale evacuation and re-settlement elsewhere of Shanghai's 1,500 Portuguese are being pushed by the Portuguese Residents Association here as economic distress becomes more widespread among the community in consequence of continued trade stagnation and staff retrenchments among business concerns.

The PRA is known to be in communication with the Portuguese communities in Hong Kong and Macao over the financial and other aspects of a scheme for the re-settlement of Shanghai Portuguese in one of the Portuguese colonies.

In this connection, Angola (Portuguese West Africa) and Mozambique (Portuguese East Africa) are most often mentioned, unofficially. How far the arrangements have progressed has not been divulged, but registration has started of people desiring to quit the country if and when an opportunity arises—which may not be until some time in December or January at the earliest, according to PRA circles.

Not all registrants, of course, will want to proceed to Africa. Many are hoping to be permitted to take the opportunity of a chartered Portuguese ship to leave the city for such points as Macao and Hong Kong, where they have either a job awaiting them, or relatives with whom they could put up temporarily while looking around for something to do.

A persistent report that the Portuguese Consulate-General here will be closed with the contemplated evacuation is helping to make up the minds of many wavering Portuguese nationals. Meanwhile, many Portuguese are scattering to all ends of the world on their own in search of new homes in the United States, Latin America and Portugal.

Quite a sizeable Shanghai Portuguese colony is said to have taken root on the outskirts of Lisbon, where they are said to be extremely happy and rapidly adapting themselves to new conditions.—Reuter.

ORDER TO CUSTOMS CRUISERS

The Chinese Navy has ordered eight Chinese Maritime Customs cruisers and launches, now in Hong Kong waters, to leave for Taiwan on Saturday, the "China Mail" learned reliably yesterday. The local office of the Maritime Customs would neither confirm nor deny the report. The officers and crew of the eight vessels have demanded payment of three months' salary in advance before they leave for Taiwan. It was learned last night. The Chinese Navy, which issued the order through the Maritime Customs Headquarters in Taiwan, has not replied to the demands. It is understood that several members of the crews have walked off the launches and cruisers. It was unofficially learned that the Chinese Navy plan to use the Customs vessels to strengthen the Government's blockade of Communist-held ports. One report said that the vessels would be incorporated in the Chinese Navy. The vessels ordered to Taiwan are four steel-hull cruisers and four launches. The wooden hull launches are not affected by the order.

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More Troops Arrive For Hong Kong

Another troopship, HMT Empire Pride, arrived in Hong Kong last night with more than 1,400 reinforcements for the local garrison. The troops, members of the Royal Sussex Regiment, the 34th and 6th Anti-Aircraft Regiment and reinforcements for the Royal Marine Command, are under the command of Lieutenant-Colonel G. A. Phelps, DSO. Except for the death of 21-year-old Gunner, T. E. Lewis of the 34th Regiment in Singapore last Sunday the trip to Hong Kong was uneventful. Gunner Lewis was riding with 24 other service men in a truck touring the city during four hours' shore leave when the truck overturned and burst into flames. In addition to the anti-aircraft regiments, there were a small group of the King's Own Scottish Borderers on board.

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REDS WILL NOT SQUEEZE OUT FOREIGNERS

Chen Yi's Assurances To Mr. John Keswick

(Exclusive To The "China Mail")

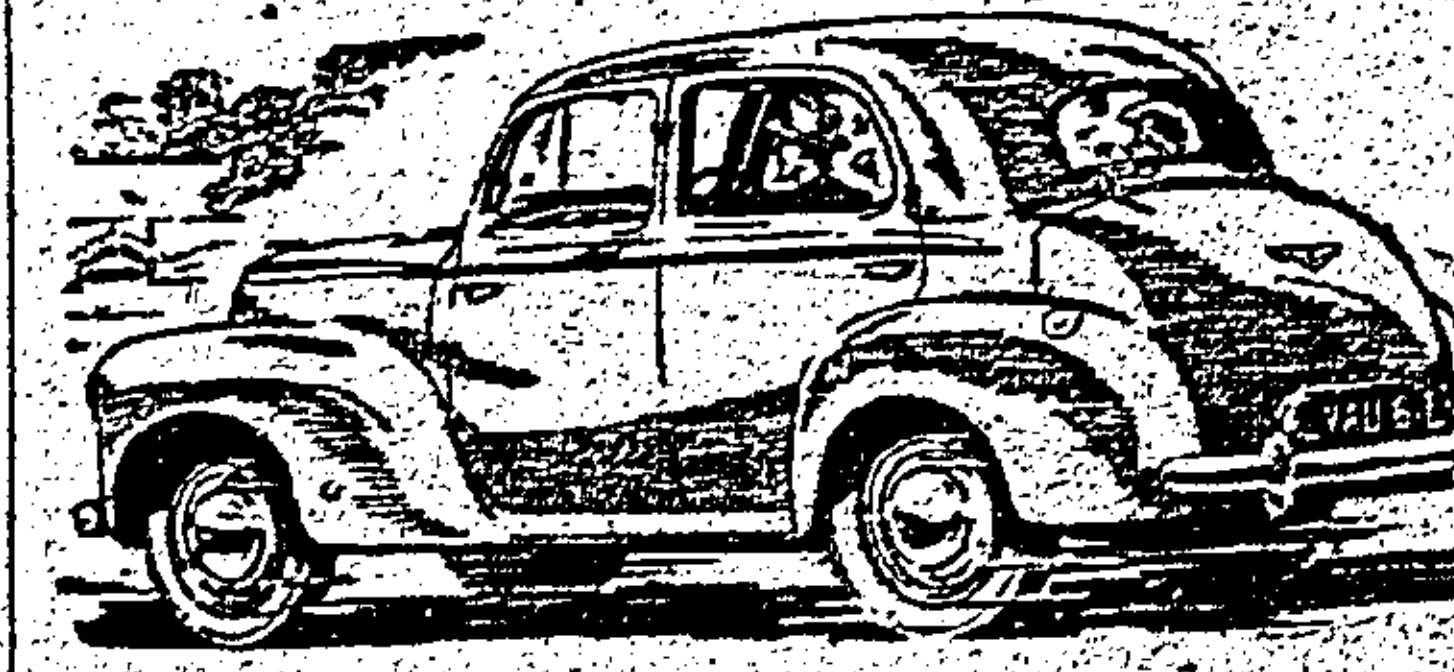
General Chen Yi, Mayor of Shanghai, the world's largest Communist-dominated city, has assured British business men in Shanghai that the People's Government has no intention of squeezing foreigners out of China. In an interview with the "China Mail" yesterday Mr. Harrison Forman, widely known author and Shanghai correspondent for the London "Daily Telegraph," said that General Chen Yi conveyed this assurance to Mr. John Keswick, Chairman of the British Chamber of Commerce in Shanghai and head of Jardine, Matheson and Co. Mr. Keswick's meeting with General Chen Yi set a precedent; it was the first time the Mayor received a foreigner.

China Case Against Russia

Lake Success, September 28.
The United Nations General Assembly begins consideration today of China's charges that Russia is threatening the peace of the Far East and independence of the Chinese Nationalist government through aid to Mao Tse-tung's Communist armies. The powerful General Committee meets at 2.30 p.m. EST to decide whether this session of the Assembly should consider the charges filed with the Assembly president, Brigadier-General Carlos Romulo, and the UN Secretary-General, Dr. Trygve Lie, yesterday by Dr. Tingfu Tsiang, chief Chinese delegate. It is a foregone conclusion that the Committee will send the charges to the Assembly. Sir Alexander Cadogan, permanent British delegate and current president of the Security Council, voiced the consensus of the Western opinion when he said: "We cannot deny the truth of these charges." Dr. Tsiang indicated to newsmen he would spare no words in the General Committee debate where he will accuse Russia of violating the Soviet-Chinese treaty of 1945 as well as the United Nations Charter. The General Committee comprises 14 members. In its discussions sit General Romulo, the seven vice presidents of the assembly, including one from each of the Big Five plus Brazil and Pakistan and the chairman of the Assembly's main committees. It is the most powerful committee in the world organisation.—United Press. (Sec. Page 6)

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We would be much obliged if you could help us in any way.

A/C CLEARY, J.
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c/o RAF Hill Tak,
Kowloon.

Record
Shipment
Of Ginger

The second shipment of new season ginger for the United Kingdom, consisting of 6,000 casks of about 800 tons, will be going forward by 30 Canton on September 30.

This is the largest single shipment ever to be made from Hong Kong, and it has been specially prepared to ensure its arriving in time for Christmas, so that this delicacy may be available to housewives for their Christmas fare as well as for gifts to friends.

Earlier in the month 4,000 casks had gone forward to the United Kingdom.

Ginger exports this season to the United Kingdom are expected to exceed last year's figure of 10,000 casks, valued at nearly HK\$3,000,000, because of the increased quota this year.

A large proportion of the raw ginger this season has come from the New Territories though the quantity is still well below the pre-war level. Many farmers still grow ginger because they find it more profitable to grow other kinds of vegetables.

The Hong Kong Preserved Ginger Distributors, who control both the preserving of the ginger and its export, have been paying particular attention to the cultivation of ginger in the New Territories.

Their experimental station at Sheung Shui, has found that the soil in certain areas is ideal for the growing of ginger. The question is how to encourage the farmers to co-operate.

Officials of the Preserved Ginger Distributors said, though they had little fear of supplies from the interior being cut off, it was nevertheless their aim to make Hong Kong self-sufficient and independent of outside supplies, and plans were being pushed forward to increase ginger cultivation.

Artificial
Insemination
Of HK Cows

A package containing semen extracted from pedigree Canadian bulls for use in artificial insemination in Hong Kong arrived yesterday by the Canadian Pacific Airlines plane, Empress of Hong Kong.

The semen is consigned to the Dairy Farm Ice and Cold Storage Company, Limited, for use at their farm at Pokfulam. Mr. P. G. Jackson, Farm Superintendent of the company, took delivery of the package at Kai Tak.

Mr. T. E. G. Fletcher, Assistant Canadian Government Trade Commissioner, was also present when the package was handed over to Mr. Jackson by Captain L. G. Fraser, commander of the CPAL plane.

In their endeavour to further improve the quality of the dairy cows at Pokfulam, the company enlisted the services of the Canadian Government Trade Commissioner. "Hong Kong," to obtain quantities of semen from Canadian bulls of known breeding quality owned by the University of British Columbia, Department of Agriculture Experimental Farm.

The shipment was sent from Vancouver on a normal flight of CPA arriving here in 44 hours, total elapsed time. Speed was essential since the semen will lose its virility after 72 hours.

Packing was important since the temperature of the contents must be carefully preserved, and the semen was, therefore, packed in small vials placed inside an ordinary thermos flask which, in turn, was surrounded by dry ice.

FORTHCOMING
WEDDINGS

The following forthcoming weddings have been announced:

Lawrence Edwin Staub, merchant seaman, of St. Charles E. Dant, and Miss Mary Hill, of 4 Camp Road, Hong Kong.

Teodoro Sarreal, musician, of St. Patrick's Street, second floor, and Miss Elizabeth Maria de Luz, of 15 Moon Street, Hong Kong.

Bertram Ewart Smith, civil servant, of 123 Sunning Court, and Miss Elizabeth Duffell Graham, medical and surgical practitioner, of 84 Macdonnell Road.



Mr. Hubert Wong, General Manager of Cosmos Aerated Water Co. Ltd. of Hong Kong (left), Mr. Raymond Choo, Cargo Superintendent of Philippine Air Lines, and Mr. Freddy Wong, Cosmos Plant Superintendent, snapped with pineapple concentrate flown here from Manila. (Lido Studio Photo).

Accused Said Member
Of Blue Shirt Society

Li Si-ken, sentenced on Monday to a year's hard labour for possession of a revolver and 17 rounds of ammunition, is a member of the Blue Shirt Society, the prosecution alleged at Central yesterday.

Li is asking for a revision of sentence. His plea will be heard on Tuesday, October 11, at 3 p.m.

Yesterday, Mr. A. D. Scholes, before whom the case is being heard, refused accused's plea for bail.

For the prosecution, Detective Sub-Inspector J. Howlett said that he had been instructed to oppose bail very strongly and that Mr. Heenan, Crown Counsel, will appear when the case comes up for revision of sentence.

As to the question of bail, DSI Howlett gave three reasons why he is opposing bail. He said that the gun is in perfect condition and the ammunition still good.

The second reason was that when the police raided defendant's office he twice denied that he had any arms in his possession and, lastly, defendant is a member of an organisation known as the MBIS (Military Bureau Investigation Statistics) and a secret service society known as the "Blue Shirt" society.

Mr. Alfred Y. Hon appearing for accused in the absence of Mr. A. J. Clifford, said that the prosecution's three points why bail should not be allowed did not show any criminal intent on the part of accused.

Nam Pak Hong
Firms To Close
On Sundays

Breaking centuries-old tradition, said Chinese merchants of Nam Pak Hong, oldest trading fraternity in Hong Kong, have decided not to open for business on Sundays.

Beginning from Sunday this week, October 2, every one of the some 200 Nam Pak Hong firms on Bonham Strand West will give their folks a day off once a week, and will not talk even the most urgent business until the following Monday.

Nam Pak Hong had its history from the earliest days of Hong Kong and grew with the growth of the Colony as an international trading centre.

Suppliers of every kind of produce and merchandise in the interior of China sent their goods to these hongs for consignment for sale, and pending sale of the goods shippers are given a monetary advance. The Nam Pak Hongs charged a commission for their services.

In time, not only the suppliers in China, but also throughout the South Sea regions shipped their goods to these hongs for sale on commission in the same way, and receive back financial accommodation from their pending sale of their merchandise.

The Nam Pak Hong merchants are reputed to be among the richest in the Colony. Many of them are family concerns handed down from father to son.

Communists Keeping
Students Under Control

Nanking, September 28.

The Chinese Communists may be facing some tough problems—labour, trade and economic—but they have succeeded in putting the student body well under control.

In the Nationalist regime the student front was the source of constant trouble, as serious as in other fronts. It evolved from government subsidy to both the students and teachers. It is still a problem but far less serious than formerly.

The Nationalists in order to keep the youth from breaking away to the Communists adopted the policy of large-scale subsidising. More than 80 per cent of the student body were subsidised, either completely or partially, with the worsening of economic situation and "right currency" inflation, the Red agents succeeded in engineering numerous student demonstrations, demanding more food and money, and the cessation of the civil war.

Now under control of the new rulers, the lot of the students is not only not improved, but is actually worse than under the Nationalists.

Tuition and other fees, which were only nominal under the Nationalists, have been boosted to the equivalent of US\$10 per month, and the sum beyond the financial capacity of most families. Furthermore, the number of those exempt from payment of fees is being reduced to some 30 per cent of the student body.

When the fees were announced by the Communist educational committee here it was feared a rash of anti-hunger demonstrations would break out as the students have good reason to feel having been double-crossed by the Communists.

However, aside from individual grumbling, the student front is all quiet. They have to pay or stay out of school.

The Communists succeeded in pacifying the students and avoiding a propaganda boomersang by giving them a large share in the conduct of their schools and by anti-propaganda.

Nanking's Communist educational and cultural committee spokesman in explaining the tuition fees said that they must be paid "in order to lighten the burden of the people."

He said:

"It was correct to demand support from the KMT reactionary government, which obtained money by squeezing the people. Now the situation is different. The people themselves are paying for the support of the schools, which in turn belong to the people. We therefore must not add to the already heavy burden of the people."—Associated Press.

Soldiers Sentenced For
Robbing Taxi Driver

"It is a great embarrassment to this Court as well as to other Courts in this Colony to find members of the armed forces up before the Court on a criminal charge."

"They disgrace the uniform they wear and also the traditions of the British Army."

Thus spoke Sir Leslie Gibson, Chief Justice, at the Criminal Sessions yesterday when he meted out the punishment of three years and two years' hard labour, respectively, on two soldiers who pleaded guilty to robbery with aggravation.

They were Private John William Frederick Key, aged 20, of the First Battalion, The Buffs, and 20-year-old Private Ernest James Knight of the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders.

Mr. A. Hooton, assisted by Detective Inspector A. Cochran, was for the Crown. The two soldiers pleaded not guilty to the charge when pleas were taken at the commencement of the September Criminal Sessions. Yesterday the two men changed their pleas to guilty when they were brought up for trial.

Both prisoners, shortly before midnight on August 21, halted a taxi of the Jai Hong Carriage at Causeway Bay. The driver, Luk Wa, was told to drive to Lyemum Barracks. As the taxi was proceeding towards Lyemum, the two soldiers changed their mind and instructed Luk to drive to Shek-o.

About half-way between Stanley Gap and Gaps d'Aguilar Road, the driver was ordered to stop. He was asked to hand over some money, to which he replied he had none. Knight then put out his hands over Luk's face from the rear, while Key, it is alleged, gave him some blows on the back of the neck.

Case Against
American
Dismissed

The case against Kenneth M. Pier, American transportation agent, who was charged with possession of arms and ammunition without a licence, was dismissed by Mr. F. X. d'Almada at Kowloon yesterday due to insufficient evidence.

Inspector Askew, conducting the prosecution, said that on August 17, during a search on board the motor launch "Mistress," in Ngai-chiwan, three hand grenades, 48 rounds of 38 long ammunition and 128 rounds of 22 ammunition were found.

Mok Kit-yan, of the Marine Police, said that in a search of a cabinet he found the arms and ammunition in a wardrobe. He was admitted to the cabin by a Filipino boy and later a European woman entered the cabin.

Cross-examined by Mr. Y. H. Chan, who represented defendant, witness said that he did not know the driver who took out the car was or to whom the clothing in the wardrobe belonged.

Admitting that defendant was in charge of the vessel at the time, Mr. Chan submitted there was no case to answer.

Inspector Askew said that being a small vessel defendant should know all that was going on on board.

Mr. d'Almada held that there was no case to answer since there was no evidence to prove the ownership of the ammunition. However, he ordered the confiscation of the arms and ammunition.

REQUISITIONING

The Government Quartermaster Authority has requisitioned 28 acres of agricultural land in the New Territories for the military.

Defence Witnesses
Cross-Examined In
Big Claim Case

Cross-examination of Mr. Loo Hsing-yuan, barrister at law, called by the defence as an expert on Chinese law, occupied most of yesterday's hearing of the \$900,000 claim at the Supreme Court.

Mr. Cyril Rogers, financial adviser to the Chinese Nationalist Government, was also cross-examined for a brief period yesterday morning on the subject of exchange transactions and currency control in China.

Plaintiff in the case is Mr. A. V. White, of 3 College Road, who is represented by the Hon. Leo d'Almada, KC, and Mr. D. A. L. Wright, instructed by Mr. M. A. de Silva.

Mr. F. C. Roberts, of 24 Robinson Road, was called by Mr. Rogers, KC, and Mr. A. J. Clifford, for the defence.

Plaintiff and defendant are related by marriage, and are both former Shanghai merchants. The claim is in relation to money alleged to have been paid by plaintiff to defendant in 1947 and 1948 in Chinese Nationalist Currency in consideration of which equivalent sums were to be paid outside China for foreign currency.

Mr. White claims alternatively \$556,036 as damages for alleged breach of contracts, as well as the costs of the present action.

Denies Claim

Mr. Roberts in his defence denies the claim. He alleges that there was never any money paid to him by plaintiff or that such contracts in foreign exchange took place.

Mr. Cyril Rogers, who had given evidence the day before was cross-examined by Mr. d'Almada at the commencement of hearing yesterday.

Among other things, Mr. Rogers revealed that it was in 1946, after the end of the war, that exchange control was introduced in China. He agreed that there was no restriction upon dealings in foreign exchange in the interval between the close of the war and the time this control began.

Mr. Rogers also agreed that there had been a foreign pool, and that the general purpose for which exchange was made available from the pool was for the benefit of the Chinese Government from the outset. Control, however, began to get tighter later on.

Witness further stated that the Chinese Postal and Remittance Bank could deal with foreign exchange in the U.S. only in accordance with the regulations delegated by the authorities.

Mr. Loo Hsing-yuan then took the stand to be also cross-examined at length by Mr. d'Almada on the subject of the various sections of the Articles of the Chinese Constitution and its relation to exchange regulations concerned in the case.

Hearing will continue at 10 this morning.

Personalia

Among those who left for Singapore yesterday by BOAC were Major W. R. Lawson, BAAC Gen. J. M. Kirtman, Mr. J. Van der Linde, Professor J. B. Bismuth, Mr. J. Gidwala, Mr. Young Yel-mann and Mr. Merae.

Departures for Saigon by Air France yesterday included Messrs. J. Marchetti, G. S. Eyal, Vuong Tan and Truong Nhu Luong.

Arrivals from Hanoi by Air France on Tuesday were Messrs. J. Rossi, Fong Yao-wa and Fong Peng-nin.

Among the departures from the Peninsula Hotel on Tuesday were Mrs. B. Bergmann, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Salter, Messrs. M. Lee, S. Yang, B. Mitchell, C. L. Chou, R. A. Perryman, A. L. Phillips, C. A. Burkhart, and Lieutenant Colonel C. M. Poston.

New arrivals at the Peninsula Hotel on Tuesday included Mr. G. Rossi, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. de Lauro, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Meyers, Mr. and Mrs. J. Katz, Mr. M. E. Barracough, Mr. and Mrs. R. Leoni, Mr. C. S. Russell, Messrs. L. R. Smith, H. C. Foo, A. Razak, H. Mitchell, F. A. Bennett, R. L. Hatcher, J. L. Barstrop, T. L. Morse and L. G. Blinade.

Granthams
Leave For
Japan Holiday

The Governor and Lady Grantham left for Pan American Airways plane yesterday for Tokyo.

They are spending a short holiday in Japan where they will be guests to the Head of the British Diplomatic Mission there.

Sir Alexander and Lady Grantham will return to the Colony by October 9.

During Sir Alexander's absence, the Colony Secretary, Mr. J. F. Nicol, will administer the Government, while Mr. C. B. Burgess will act as Colonial Secretary.

SMUGGLED GOLD
CONFISCATED

An unemployed Chinese, Long Shue-shik, aged 26, residing at 27, Connaught Road Central, was charged before Mr. Hin-shing Lo at Central yesterday with importing gold without a permit.

According to the prosecution, defendant imported 3 bars weighing 25 taels, valued at \$5,196.80 on board ss. Huanan, on September 27 at Custodian Wharf.

Defendant was cautioned and the gold confiscated.

Five small bars were returned to defendant when he pleaded that he had no other means to return to his destination.

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Reminders

Today

Kowloon Rotary Club luncheon, Peninsula Hotel, (closed meeting), 12.30 p.m.
Y's Men's Club of Hong Kong, luncheon at the Roof Garden, HK Hotel, 12.45 p.m.
HK Art Club, monthly exhibition, St. John's Cathedral hall, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; lecture by Mr. Luis Chan, 5.30 p.m.
HK Women's International Club, dance for Forces, 7.30 p.m.
Paintings Exhibition by Miss Tseng Yu-ho, Fung Ping Shan Library, HK University, 10.30 a.m.
Museum Exhibition of Roman catacombs, Salesian House, Shaokwan, 9 a.m.
HK United Church, Ladies Guild meeting, Helena May Institute, 3 p.m.

Coming Events

TOMORROW
Michaelmas Fancy Dress Ball, The Griggs, HK Hotel, 9 p.m.
Services Dance, European YMCA, Kowloon, 9 a.m.
Museum Exhibition of Roman catacombs, Salesian House, Shaokwan, 9 a.m.
HK Sorball Association, extraordinary general meeting, Green Room, Peninsula Hotel, 6 p.m.
SATURDAY
Kowloon Gramophone Society concert, Diocesan Boys' School, 8.30 p.m.
HK University Aquatic Sports, at Victoria Recreation Club, 2 p.m.
Film Shows (for Servicemen and Members) European YMCA, West Lounge, 8 p.m. (no charge for admission).

Threat Of Strikes In America

New York, September 28. American labour leaders, industrialists and Government officials strove today to ward off an increasing number of strikes, which threaten by the week's end to make over 1,600,000 workers idle.

In Pennsylvania, 1,000 non-union coalminers showed their determination to work by going armed with shotguns and rifles. About 480,000 coalminers have been on strike for nine days for the restoration of pensions which had been stopped by their Welfare Fund for the reason given that the coal managements had refused to continue paying the shilling-a-ton royalties on coal produced.

About 27,000 coal railwaymen have been laid off for lack of work. Steel negotiators were sitting by night and day to stave off a strike of one million union men called for midnight on Friday.

Ask Pensions

The steel workers are asking their employers to adopt the Government recommendations to pay the men pensions costing about 60¢ an hour extra for each man. At the Ford Motor Works, 116,000 union workers, whose threatened strike action for pensions was expected to lead other automobile workers, were due to stop work at midnight tonight.

Women strikers in the Bell Aircraft Corporation factory yesterday turned back several carloads of non-strikers.

A crest-wide strike of 65,000 dock workers for Friday night has been postponed for at least 30 days pending talks.

Electrical and radio union leaders have authorised a strike vote by 200,000 workers at the General Electric and Westinghouse concerns, if future negotiations for contracts failed.

Court Brevities

Lam Tuk, alias Hung Tin, aged 35, seaman, and Chan Sin-nan, alias Chan Tung, aged 29, seaman, were charged before Mr. Hin-shing Lo at Central yesterday with armed robbery and were remanded three days for further enquiries.

It was alleged that the robbery took place at the Tai Chin Gold Shop at 89, Main Street East, Shaokwan on the morning of September 19.

Four Chinese were charged before Mr. Hin-shing Lo at Central yesterday with possession of arms without a permit.

Defendants were Lam, Hing, 44, aged 38, ship painter of Tai-koo Dockyard, Lai Shing-tim, aged 18, fitter of Tai-koo Dockyard, Chan Sum, aged 22, fitter of Tai-koo Dockyard and Cheung Sik, aged 19, odd job, co-ops of Tai-koo Dockyard.

It was alleged that defendants were in possession of a revolver, an automatic pistol and 13 rounds of ammunition in Shaokwan on September 27.

Defendants were remanded for three days.

The two-month-old labour dispute aboard two laid-up Chinese steamers in Tolo Harbour which reached local waters after escaping from the Communists in June was settled yesterday.

Besides a total sum of HK\$120,000 for salary arrears, each of the 87 seamen received HK\$350 passage money for Shanghai via Tientsin and HK\$3,000 for food during their stay here before their departure by the ss. Hunan on October 1.

Claims for damage to their luggage kept aboard the vessels during the negotiations since July amounted to HK\$5,000.

The successful settlement of the long drawn dispute was announced by the Chinese Seamen's Union yesterday.

Through the help of Mr. Wong Ching-yang and Mr. Li Ching-yat, two prominent Shanghai businessmen, negotiations between the 87 striking seamen and the owners, Wah Sheung Shipping Company, were concluded at the week-end and the seamen received their money yesterday.

While awaiting transportation to their native town, the seamen will maintain themselves with the HK\$3,000 allowance given by the owners.

History Of Strike

The strike aboard the Hai Fung and the Hai Liang began late in July, when the 87 men refused to obey the master's instructions to operate the vessels from Sham-shu-po to Taipei for shelter in the face of an impending typhoon.

Subsequently, the men were brought to the Marine Court on a charge of disobeying orders.

Of the group, 37 were found guilty and sentenced to seven days' imprisonment.

To maintain the seamen, friends from other Chinese ships, which had also escaped from the Communists when they occupied Shanghai, made donations in cash and kind.

Through the assistance of the CSU, which negotiated on behalf of the seamen, the men obtained an apartment opposite the CSU Office at Hill Road.

Early this month the seamen were instructed by the Police to remove their luggage which was kept aboard the two ships.

Several seamen found their things missing and part of their baggage damaged.

Meanwhile, the men are still residing in their flat and are making arrangements through the CSU for their passage to Shanghai.

20th Dispute

This latest dispute was the twentieth within the past few months.

The differences between the seamen and the owners were all the same. The seamen claimed they were promised good remuneration before they brought the ships safely to Hong Kong.

That was during the days when the Communists were driving on Shanghai.

Various other promises were allegedly made to the seamen. They were even permitted to bring their families along. Several died.

The troubles started shortly after the arrival of the ships. The seamen declared they were dismissed on the ground that the ships would be laid up or there was no business.

Consequently, during the past few months the CSU had to deal with 20 disputes over the same issue. Each, however, was settled mutually to the satisfaction of both parties through CSU arbitration.

Many of the ships are now riding at anchor in Tolo Harbour, Shamshu-po and Yumtut. It is believed many are awaiting the inevitable to be scrapped.

PLANE CRASHES CLAIM 72 LIVES

New York, September 27. A series of plane crashes in widely separated parts of the world was believed to have cost a total of 72 lives by Monday night.

The most recent accident was in Argentina, where a mercenary ship flew into bad weather and crashed near Cordoba in Buenos Aires province yesterday, killing seven persons and injuring 20 others. Most of the casualties were believed to be women.

The plane was returning from Ecuador with a number of Argentine nurses sent by Eva Duarte de Peron, wife of the Argentine President, to assist the victims of the recent Ecuadorian earthquake. —United Press.

FISH PRICES

Fresh fish average prices realised at the Hong Kong Fish Wholesale Market, Kennedy Town, yesterday follow:

	per catty	per catty
Yellow Croaker	\$2.05	\$2.50
Snapper	1.29	1.20
Mackerel (large)	1.35	1.29
Golden Thread	1.48	1.38
Conger Pike	1.21	.81
Hair Tail	1.50	.88

Reds Will Not Squeeze Out Foreigners

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General Chen Yi said also that it was wrong of foreigners to believe that the People's Government would be dominated and controlled by the Russians. He pointed out that the intelligentsia in the Communist Party and the People's Government were largely educated in Britain, the United States and France.

He himself, the Mayor continued, had spent considerable time in study in France. He said a number of non-Russian foreigners had been of considerable help to the Chinese Communists, for example, the Briton, Mr. Michael Lindsay, who is the son of a Master of Balliol.

Better Times Ahead

He concluded that if foreigners would only be patient for a little while he was certain that better times were coming soon, especially with the fall of Canton and the availability of Hong Kong as a blockade-free port.

Mr. Forman who left Shanghai in the evacuation ship General Gordon said the fact that a far larger percentage of Americans than Britons evacuated Shanghai highlights the wide divergence of opinion among Shanghai's foreign community.

Americans in both official and commercial circles have generally taken the view that there is no place for the foreigner in the China of the future.

The British view, on the other hand, has been to stick it out regardless of difficulties, which are believed to be only temporary and which will surely dissipate when the blockade is lifted and trade resumed on a profitable basis.

It should be pointed out that Americans have relatively little capital investment in China, with business interests largely represented by a brass plate over the office door of rented premises.

British Stake

The British stake, however, is represented by tremendous capital investments in the form of factories, mills, warehouses, wharves and real estate holdings.

The Americans primarily trade with China. The British trade in China.

The British decision to hold on has been made at a staggering cost. The complete cessation of foreign trade as a result of the blockade, coupled with the extortionate high wage bill and unrealistic foreign exchange rate, is forcing the British business community to draw on foreign reserves to the extent of \$500,000 monthly.

Many smaller firms fear that their resources will be exhausted in a few months if the situation continues.

Even when the blockade is lifted exports will be stymied unless the exchange rate is changed to a more realistic one.

At present tung oil, eggs and hog bristles—three of China's principal exports—are higher FOB in Shanghai than prices prevailing in London and New York, Mr. Forman concluded.

Mr. Forman, flying from Hong Kong to Manila on Friday, thence to Bangkok, Calcutta and Europe.



The commercial advertisement shown above appears in the show windows of a shop on the mainland. The man behind the globe resembles the Chinese Communist leader, Mao Tse-tung. The advertisement shows the man palming off the 'People's Government' of China with red paint. ("China Mail" photo).

Shop Window Display With Political Tinge

Amid the intensive publicity connected with the Chinese Mid-Autumn Festival, a commercial advertisement with a political tinge has appeared in the show window of a shop in Nathan Road.

Put up by the shop, which sells moon cakes, the advertisement measures about three feet by eight feet. Its centre is occupied by a globe on which a larger part of China is shown.

The North East corner of the map is painted in red. As the colour runs Southward on the map, it fades into a light pink and then loses itself near the provincial boundary which divides Kwangtung and Kiangsi provinces. At the top right hand of the globe, as if coming out of the universe behind, a massive figure which resembles Mao Tse-tung, the Chinese Communist leader, is shown holding a pot of red paint in his left hand and a red brush in his right.

The hands are made of plywood attached to the advertisement and are controlled by mechanism concealed behind the picture. They move to and fro on the red part of the map of China, showing that the figure is painting China with red paint.

Assisting in the painting is the smaller-sized figure of a man in a typical Chinese uniform. This soldier-like person carries a red drawing brush. Also controlled by the mechanism, the brush moves on a spot where the map is pink in colour.

The base of the globe is not shown on the advertisement. It is covered with a drawing of clouds in which four heavy sixes tanks with their guns blazing away are apparently making their way towards South West China.

Uncle Sam

Where the Western end of the globe meets the universe on the drawing, a foot enclosed in a sturdy boot is shown kicking two miniature figures. One of them, apparently Uncle Sam, is leading the second figure.

The lower left-hand corner of the advertisement is painted with two vessels. One is a modern man-of-war and the other is a Western-styled sailing vessel.

In completing the entire advertisement, two drawings of different nature are presented on the two top corners of the advertisement.

The left-hand top corner is occupied by a parade of Chinese civilians and the right-hand top corner is filled with a squadron of four-engined planes.

Like other Chinese cake shops which have added new advertisements to help in selling their moon cakes, the shop on Nathan Road is attracting large crowds especially when many coloured electric lights brighten up the picture in the evenings.

Seaman Sentenced For Assault

Brought before Mr. F. X. d'Almada at Kowloon yesterday on a charge of common assault, James Henry Marshall, 28-year-old seaman, was fined \$50 or one month's imprisonment.

Defendant, who was charged with assaulting William Ferguson, another seaman, on board the LST "Charles McLeod" on September 26, was also bound over in \$250 to be of good behaviour for the next 12 months.

Inspector Askew prosecuting said that on the night of September 25, while the vessel, on R.A.S.C. run, was approaching Hong Kong, defendant was on look-out duty and complainant was a stand-by man. Toward midnight complainant was ordered to look for defendant who was nowhere to be found.

When defendant was found he accused complainant of starting trouble and began to assault complainant.

When the vessel reached Hong Kong, Ferguson was sent to hospital where it was found that he sustained multiple injuries.

Mr. John Watt, master of the ship, was present in Court.

Seizure Of Red Transmitters In Bangkok

Bangkok, September 28. The police seized three powerful radio transmitters believed to be part of an underground Communist radio network—in a raid on a Chinese suburban house, the police disclosed today.

A police spokesman said a preliminary inspection of the equipment and interrogation of an alien Chinese operator arrested in the raid, indicated that it was the most important post-war seizure of illegal Chinese Communist radio equipment in Thailand.—Reuter.

Business Efficiency Exhibition

The Office Appliances Trades Association of Great Britain and Ireland will hold a Business Efficiency Exhibition at Olympia, London, from November 9 to 19.

The Association represents leading British manufacturers and exporters of office appliances and equipment, whose sales are estimated to be £25.5 million a year.

Previously Britain relied mainly on imports from the United States. Today, Britain is capturing the world's markets with appliances adapted to meet the demands of many languages and currencies.

By applying post-war scientific thought to their field, office appliance manufacturers have developed new products, and made improvements in systems and machines.

In designing these appliances the industry has sought to increase industrial efficiency not only by introducing mechanical systems but also by making the machines easier to operate, lighter to handle and more colourful.

Convictions In Quarry Case

The Quarry Case in which three Government employees of the Hok Un Government Quarry, Hunghom, were charged with stealing 10, six and seven cubic yards of tarred stones, the property of the Government, on July 5, 11 and 12, respectively, was concluded before Mr. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon yesterday.

Convicted by the magistrate, the accused were Kwok Loi, aged 41, fitter, foreman, Choo Wing-pun, aged 31, clerk, Wong Hing-tun, aged 29, general office assistant, and Wong Hing-kam, aged 23, stone crusher and mixer foreman.

The first and second accused were each sentenced to 12 months' hard labour, on all charges. The third accused was found guilty on two counts, and was sentenced to six months' hard labour.

The sentences became effective as of July 13.

Defence counsel were Mr. V. L. d'Almeida, instructed by Mr. M. A. da Silva, representing the first accused, and Mr. Charles Leachy, KC, instructed by Mr. J.C. Stewart, representing the other accused. The prosecution was conducted by Mr. A. Shaw, Acting Assistant Superintendent of Police, attached to the Anti-Corruption Branch.

In his finding, the magistrate said: "I have given this matter most careful thought, bearing in mind all that counsel has said now and throughout this trial."

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Churchill Asks For General Election

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Mr. Churchill said he would have set the Pound free under regular and necessary safeguards rather than the present rigid method of pegging the exchange at the very lowest rate conceivable.

"This is what we did in 1931, the last time we had to clear up the Socialist financial mess," he said.

"I do not think the idea of the liberation of the Pound should be ruled out by any government which can command confidence abroad," he added. He believed that great strength still resided in the Sterling Area. That had to some extent been proved by the many countries which roughly as they were used and little though they were consulted had had to conform to Britain's action.

"The strength, working freely and backed up by intense productive efforts of all the communities concerned, would soon have achieved a far better rate of exchange against the dollar than now existed.

A free Pound would impose a less severe drain on living conditions and labour.

In reaching its true level it would afford a guide for Europe and the Sterling Area and would give an effective sense of economic as well as political association. Mr. Churchill stated.—United Press and Reuter.

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An Extraordinary General Meeting will be held at 6 p.m. on Friday, September 30th, 1949 at the Green Room, Peninsula Hotel.

Agenda—

Reading of the Minutes.
Adoption of the Revised Constitution.
Election of New Officers.
Other Business.

By Order of the Committee, F.W. HOLLANDS Hon. Secretary.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the Double Tenth Race Meeting to be held on Saturday, 8th and Monday, 10th October, 1949, (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Secretary's Office, Telephone House; the Club House, Happy Valley; and the Stables, Shan Kwong Road.

Entries close at 12 o'clock NOON on Thursday, 29th September, 1949.

By Order,

D. L. PROPHET, Actg. Secretary.

Chiang Still The Logical Leader

Des Moines, Iowa,

September 28.

Lieutenant-General Albert C. Wedemeyer said here yesterday he believed Chiang Kai-shek still the logical man to free China of Communism.

"Chiang Kai-shek is a Christian, and an honest and sincere man," General Wedemeyer said in an interview with the Des Moines "Register and Tribune." He stopped in Des Moines to visit friends.

The General expressed confidence that some day Non-Communist forces would regain control of China.

"It may be a long time—how long will depend upon outside influences—but forces opposing totalitarianism ultimately will win out," he said.

Lacked Spirit

General Wedemeyer declined to express a view as to whether greater American financial and military aid would have enabled the Nationalists to turn back the Communist invasions. But he said the Nationalists, themselves, might have done it.

"They could almost have defended the Yangtze River line with broom sticks, if they had had the spirit," he declared. "But the people of South China were a disillusioned people. There was too much confusion among them. They didn't know what they were fighting for."

"The Communists from the North had the spirit. And they sent their representatives across the river to spread their ideology among the people there."—Associated Press.

EX-SOLDIER EXECUTED FOR MURDER OF GERMAN GIRL

London, September 28. William Claude Hodson Jones, aged 31, former member of the British Liberation Army, was executed at Pentonville today.

Jones, a farmer, was sentenced to death at the Old Bailey on September 8 for the murder of a 21-year-old German girl, Waltraut Lehman, in a wood at Rottenburg in June, 1945.

The jury made a strong recommendation for mercy but it was announced yesterday that the Home Secretary had decided that there was no sufficient ground to justify any interference with the due course of the law.—Reuter.

CONVAIRS ON-KUNMING ROUTE

Travelling time between Hong Kong and Kunming has been reduced by about one-third with the placing of Convair-Liners by the Central Air Transport Corporation on this air route.

An official announcement by the company yesterday said that C.A.T.C. has also increased the number of weekly flights to the Yunnan provincial capital from two to three, operating on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Sundays. Weekly flights from the Colony to Kweiyang, Liuchow and Swatow have likewise been increased. The new schedules are twice weekly (Wednesdays and Sundays) to Kweiyang, three weekly (Wednesdays, Thursdays and Sundays) to Liuchow and one flight daily to Swatow.

TURIN STRIKE

Rome, September 27. A one hour strike of 18,000 textile workers in the Turin district has been called for Wednesday morning, Astra, the Italian news agency, reported today.

The work stoppage is to protest against failure of the owners to begin negotiations for a new contract, the report said.—Associated Press.

Amman, September 27. A gunpowder store explosion which killed 13 people yesterday was stated today to have been due to an accident.—Reuter.

Devaluation Of West German Mark

Bonn, September 28.

The Allied High Commissioners announced an agreement early today after an almost continuous 18 hour session to recommend the devaluation of the German West mark to a new dollar rate of 23.8 cents.

West Germany's government announced within a few hours of the High Commissioners' agreement that they had deferred a decision on the acceptance because of dissatisfaction over coal prices.

The agreement on devaluation had been held up for several days by the French objections to the German proposals to devalue by 25 per cent, based on the interests of French steel producers who import German coal.

The French, it was understood, had asked for a twenty per cent devaluation only.

Coal Exports

Today's Allied announcement, made after several days of debate and an almost continuous 18 hour session ending at 6 this morning, ordered that pending the result of an inquiry into dumping, the Germans should within seven days take action to ensure that the interests of coal importing countries were not prejudiced by the devaluation.

Germany must either maintain the present price in Deutsche marks for coal exports or adjust the external and internal prices so that the differential between them is not wider than at present.

The German Chancellor, Dr. Adenauer, said today that the price of coal for the home markets would not be increased.

Dr. Adenauer told a press conference that the German Cabinet is expected to have another discussion with the High Commissioners today, and pending this did not regard the suggested rate as final.

They had asked the Allies for a larger devaluation, he said, and he felt that no adequate discussion with the Germans had preceded the Allied decision.

The present Deutsche mark is worth 30 United States cents.—Reuter.

PERMIT TO MOVE COFFINS IN SHANGHAI

Shanghai, September 28. The Communists now require a permit for the movement of coffins.

The requirement was believed by some to be a safeguard against the use of coffins to smuggle arms to the countryside, or transport spies out of Shanghai.

Ten charcoal burning buses are being placed into service in Shanghai because of the scarcity and high cost of petrol. Twenty more buses will be converted.—Associated Press.

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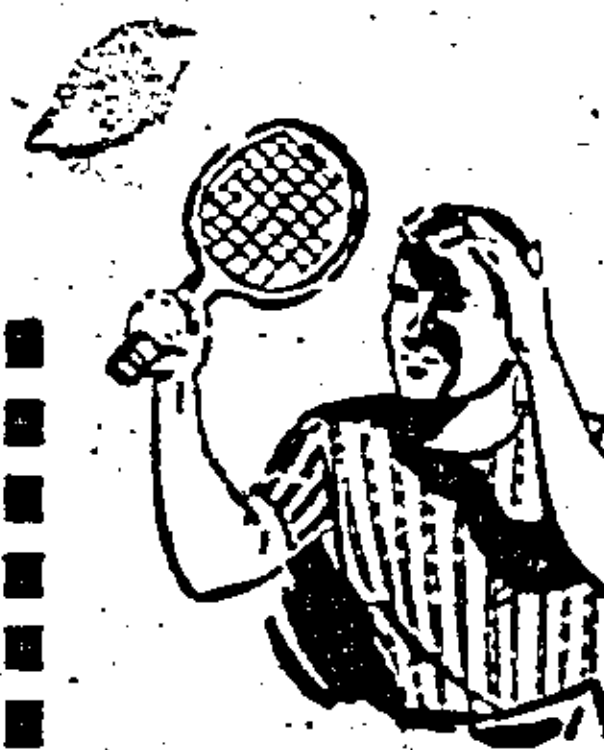
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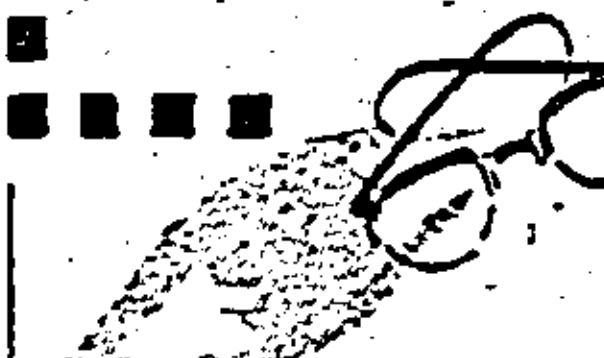
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A PRETTY FALSE CARD ONE OF THE prettiest false cards possible is that which you can make, on infrequent occasions, when you read that your partner has a trump holding that threatens to be dangerous. When the declarer seeks to establish a ruffing situation in the dummy, early play by you of your highest card in the suit to be ruffed may make the declarer believe he is in danger of an over-ruff if he uses a small trump from the dummy. If that lures him into ruffing with a high dummy trump your partner may then be enabled later to score a trump trick which otherwise would be impossible.

SAK 6
HJ 9 6 2
D 10 6
C J 8 7 4
S J 9 4 3
H K 5
D J 9 4
C A K 9 3

SAQ 10 7 5
HA 3
DAK 7 5 3
C 2

(Dealer: South. Both sides vulnerable).
South West North East
S Pass 1 NT Pass
2 D Pass 2 H Pass
3 D Pass 3 S Pass
4 S

When South saw that dummy, he was rather glad North had found the way to tuck in so many bids, as he firmly expected to make the game he reached. The club K won, the A was ruffed and south decided that ruffing

lost diamonds would cause his losses to be limited to three tricks at the worst, with one each in clubs and hearts plus either one or none in spades.

So, on winning the second trick he scored the diamond A and K, then led a third diamond. His original plan had been to ruff with the spade 6 and hope for an even break of the diamonds. But East upset him by putting the Q on the second diamond. Now sure that an over-ruff impended, he decided to prevent it by ruffing with the spade K. When East followed suit, he decided he had been forced. To save the day, he then tried the heart Q finesse, which the K won. West returned a club, but that made no difference. He was certain to take two trump tricks with his J-9, thereby beating the contract—thanks to the way his partner had bamboozled South into using the spade K unnecessarily.

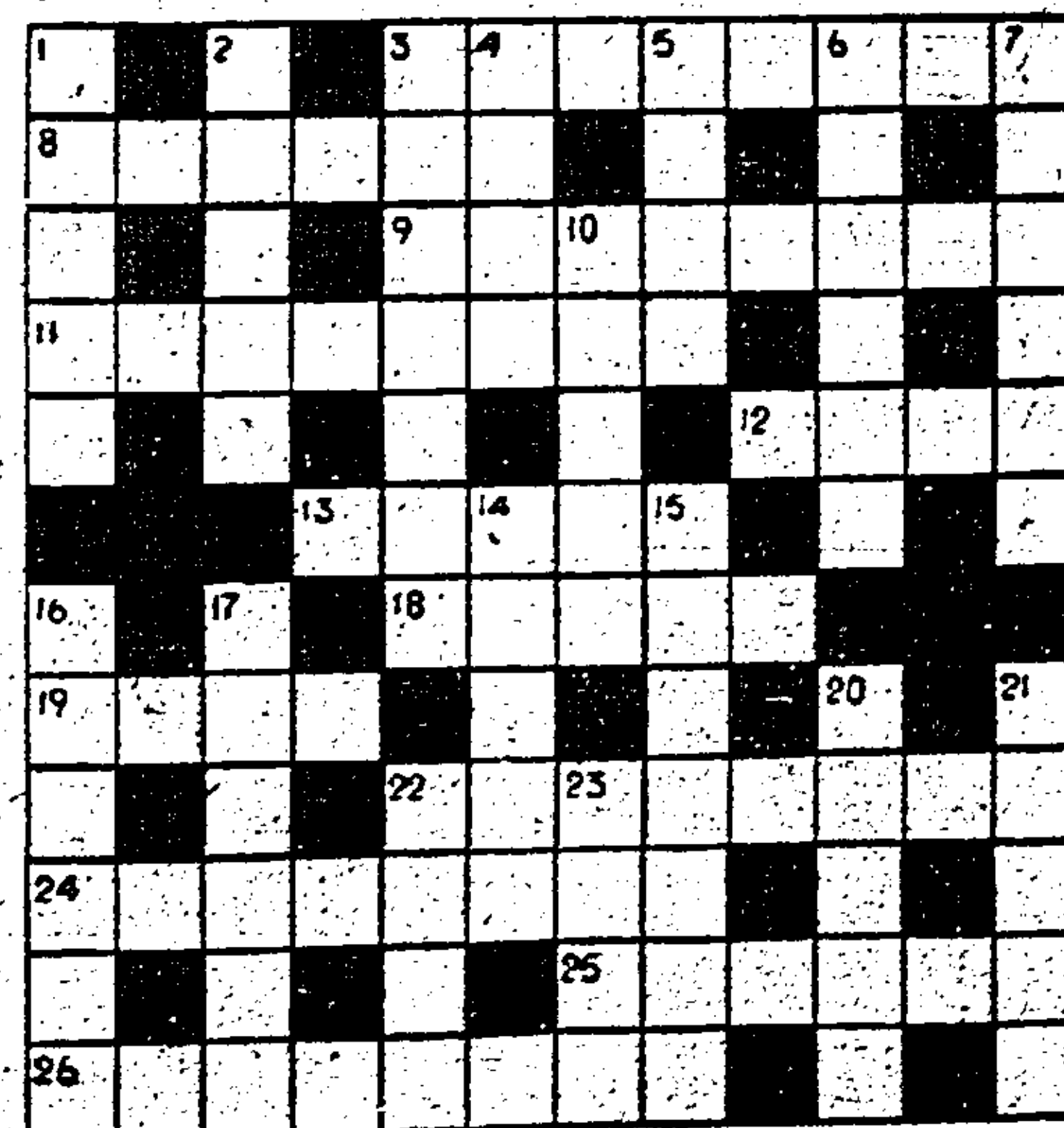
Tomorrow's Problem
SAK 6 2
H 8 4 2
DKQ J 8 4
C None

S J 9 7
H A K 5
D 9 5 4
C 8 5 4 2

S 10 5 4 3
H Q 7 3
DA 2
CA K J 9

(Dealer: North. Both sides vulnerable).
How should this deal be bid by a North-South pair equipped with the Blackwood convention?

A BRITISH CROSSWORD PUZZLE



Across

3 Alienate.
8 "The pictures."
9 Traceable.
11 Exquisite.
12 Banner.
13 Obese.
15 Turn inside out.
19 Noddy.
22 Reached.
24 Diplomatic.
25 Charge with gas.
26 Pastor.

Down

1 Played a part.
2 Breaks off.
3 Flow from.
4 Ditto.
5 Periodic payment.
6 Take small bites.
7 Come out.
10 Follow.
14 Egg-shaped.
15 Handled.
16 Shady spots.
17 Chase.
20 Tell-tale.
21 Reptile.
22 Roguish.
23 Hurry.

Yesterday's Crossword

ACROSS:—3 Scimitar. 7 A-pic. 8 Opposing. 10 Orator. 13 Rotates. 15 Agree. 17 Ferment. 18 Smelted. 20 Tyre. 21 Radiate. 26 Totter. 27 Recalled. 28 Genu. 29 Suspense. DOWN:—1 Major. 2 Sprat. 3

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HARRIMAN SAYS:

DEVALUATION SHOULD HELP EUROPE'S UNITY

Paris, September 27.

The Marshall Aid roving Ambassador, Mr. Averell Harriman, said at a press conference here today that devaluation "should be helpful towards European unity."

"The period of adjustment may be a bit confusing but basically, a realignment of currencies closer to real values will certainly help the free flow of goods and capital," he added.

Mr. Harriman said that "to attain the freest possible intra-European movement of goods requires a wider convertibility of currencies within Europe."

"Currency devaluation makes possible the decisions by which this objective can be achieved. I look forward to immediate action by the Organisation for European Economic Co-operation, to free trade from quantitative import restriction, he added.

"I am hopeful that, in spite of the admitted difficulties of the adjustment period, important results will be achieved before the end of the year."

Currency devaluation "greatly improves the prospect of dollar earnings," Mr. Harriman stated. "The renewal of the Reciprocal Trade Act shows that by a further reduction of barriers to imports into the United States, the American people are ready to help the free world compete in our markets."

He said that "increased intra-European trade and increased dollar exports go hand in hand in achieving the same end—freeing Western Europe from the need for extraordinary outside aid by June, 1952."

Mr. Harriman said later that the Western European nations would find it easier to balance their payments as a result of devaluation.

"With devaluation and other measures on which the countries of the O.E.E.C. are embarking, I am optimistic about the expansion of sales to the dollar area," he added.

One Price
Asked about Britain's decision to devalue the Pound Sterling without prior consultation with the O.E.E.C. countries, Mr. Harriman said: "You cannot have long discussions about something which affects so many people and so many speculative interests."

Mr. Harriman said that the Economic Co-operation Administration thought that European countries should fix the same price for domestic and export goods and believed that they would work towards this principle.

He said that he expected the Western Government to join the O.E.E.C. instead of being represented by the High Commissioners.

"All economic problems of Western Germany up to the present have been considered on the same basis as the problems of every other participant in the European Recovery Programme," he stated.—Reuter.

BRITAIN DECLARES "WAR"

Paris, September 27.
The Finance Minister, M. Maurice Petsche, told the French Cabinet today that Sterling devaluation was the declaration of a genuine monetary war by Britain, a usually reliable source stated.

The Cabinet was holding a crisis meeting over labour demands for a wage bonus following devaluation.

Ministers are divided on the issue.

M. Petsche, opposed to a bonus, laid special stress on the rivalry France would have to face from Britain in world markets as a result of devaluation, it was understood.

M. Daniel Mayer, Socialist Minister of Labour, supported the demand, backed by all the main trade union bodies (Communist, Socialist and Christian) for an immediate bonus of 3,000 to 5,000 francs.

The future of this longest-lived Government of the Fourth Republic is generally believed to depend on the success of the Radical Prime Minister, M. Henri Queuille, in reconciling the differences.

The Cabinet is meeting again tonight, while this afternoon Ministers and experts are studying a scheme to prevent price increases resulting from devaluation.—Reuter.

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Air Tragedy
In Mexico
Kills 24

Mexico City, September 27.
All 24 persons on board a Mexican commercial airliner are believed to have perished after the plane crashed into the side of Popocatepetl Volcano, Southern Mexico.

The plane was carrying a crew of three and 21 passengers. The plane was bound for Mexico City from Tapa-chula, in Southern Mexico. Rescue workers had to fight their way up the snow-covered mountainside in an effort to reach the scene of the crash.—Reuter.

BRIDE TO WAIT FOR YEARS

Berlin, September 27.
A pretty, 27-year-old Berlin blond, who yesterday married by trans-Atlantic telephone an American Army Sergeant stationed in Texas, today found out that she may have to wait as long as two years before she could join him in the United States.

The American Consul-General here told her today that she cannot be given any priority in obtaining an exit permit.

Rita Wehrmann, who met her husband, Sergeant Eldon Covington, of Bloomington, Indiana, while he was manager of the Stork Club in Berlin, where she worked as a waitress, said that "apparently the only way I can get to the United States is under the emigration quota, and, because there are so many other people ahead of me, that might take as long as two years."

A consular official explained that since the Consulate did not recognise a telephone marriage, no special allowances could be made in the case.

"However, if Sergeant Covington travels to Berlin and produces his marriage certificate, things might be speeded up," the official added.

Mrs. Covington, meanwhile, has discovered that her telephone marriage has not yet been recognised by the German authorities.

"I am still registered as Fraulein Wehrmann in the German Registration Office," she said. "They will not change my name to Mrs. Covington until the marriage documents are received from Texas."—Reuter.

FOOD NEEDS OF FAR EAST
Singapore, September 27.
Hafiz Mohammed Isahq, Chairman of the Food and Agricultural Organisation, now meeting in Singapore, said today that there should be no slackening in the effort to produce the maximum amount of food in this region.

Mr. Isahq, Joint Secretary of Pakistan's Ministry of Agriculture, told Reuter that the Government of this region had formulated development schemes and fixed national targets which, in theory, went to suggest that the region might become self-sufficient or even have a slight surplus in 1951.—Reuter.

BURMA AMBUSH
Rangoon, September 27.
A Burmese Government communiqué today said Shan levies at Htansaung, 25 miles East of the Southern state capital, Taunggyi, ambushed a rebel party travelling by truck towards Lashio.

The truck was set on fire and all the rebels killed.—Associated Press.



MR. HARRIMAN

DRUG SMUGGLER SENTENCED

Milan, September 27.
An American-born driver, Vincent Trupia, was sentenced here to 20 months' imprisonment and fined 50,000 lire for attempting to smuggle 16 pounds of cocaine to the United States.

A 19-year-old American, Giobanni Pincio, was sentenced to 18 months' imprisonment on charges of aiding Trupia. Two other men were acquitted.

"Lucky" Luciano, the former American gangster now "exiled" in Italy, was arrested on suspicion of being involved with Trupia, but was afterwards released and banished temporarily to his native Sicily.—Reuter.

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Boy Cinema Star
Gets Big Fine

Beaconsfield, September 27.

The boy movie star, Bobbie Driscoll, was fined £100 here today on a summons that, being an alien, he obtained employment in Britain without the consent of the Ministry of Labour.

Driscoll is now taking a leading part in the film "Pleasure Island" at the Denham Film Studios, near here.

His father, Mr. Arthur Cletus J. Driscoll, and RKO-Walt Disney British Productions, Limited, of London, were each fined £100 for aiding and abetting Driscoll in the offence.

Notice of appeal against the court's decision was given. Mr. R. E. Seaton, for the defence, asked for an adjournment on the grounds that the boy was not employed by an English company.

He said that an adjournment was necessary pending the arrival of documents from the United States.

Both Mr. Seaton and Mr. Thomas Swann, the chairman of the film company, were asked by the magistrates whether they would agree to the boy's stopping work during the adjournment, if it were granted.

Neither could give such an undertaking, so they said that the film was being made.

Immigration and Ministry of Labour officials said that it had been made quite clear that the boy must not be employed in Britain in any capacity.

The police said that they had warned the company that the boy must stop working or prosecutions would follow.

Mr. Seaton asked again an adjournment and, when this was refused, declined to take any further part in the proceedings. He said that he would take his case elsewhere.

Imposing the fines the magistrates said that it was a deliberate defiance of the conditions of the boy's coming to England. They ordered the company to pay costs.—Reuter.

MASS GRAVE UNEARTHED
Dachau, September 27.
A third mass grave of Dachau concentration camp victims, believed to contain 15,000 bodies, was unearthed today after discovery of a Nazi S.S. map of the area.

Two similar graves were discovered last week when Dr. Philipp Auerbach, Bavarian State Attorney for victims of Fascism, estimated that 4,000 bodies were buried within a 30-metre radius.

The map, in the possession of an unnamed architect since the end of the war, showed the new grave to be 135 metres long and nine metres wide.

Digging today brought to light uniforms, shoes and boots, confirming that the corpses were from the camp.

Investigations are continuing.—Reuter.

RED PROPOSAL REJECTED
Paris, September 27.
The Bureau of the French National Assembly this afternoon rejected a Communist Party proposal to recall Parliament from the summer adjournment for an immediate discussion of franc devaluation.

The autumn session will open on October 18.—Reuter.

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CHINESE ACCUSATION
AGAINST THE SOVIET

Lake Success September 27.

China today charged Russia with threats to the political independence and territorial integrity of China and to the peace of the Far East.

The Chinese delegate, T. F. Tsiang filed identical letters with the UN President, Carlos Romulo, and the Secretary General, Trygve Lie, asking the inclusion of the Soviet-Chinese dispute in the Assembly's agenda.

CHARGE
AGAINST
PRIEST

Prague, September 27. Czechoslovak authorities claimed today to have arrested a Roman Catholic priest who was said to have demanded money for performing Church rites for a Communist.

This allegation was made against a priest arrested in Ceska Trebova in Bohemia.

After he was jailed, the local government announced to his parishioners that the Communist broadcasting system that "your priest was not arrested because of political or anti-state activity but because he demanded 5,000 crowns from a Communist Party member for performance of certain Church rites. Furthermore, he wanted it paid in dollars."

Church sources here said that they were not familiar with this specific case but added that they suspected it was part of a nationwide police campaign against priests who oppose the proposed new church control law.—Associated Press.

Anchorage, September 27. A "prolonged" earthquake hit Southern Alaska today but first reports in Anchorage, which was apparently near the epicentre, said no one was killed or injured. The quake occurred at 3:37 p.m. GMT and lasted about one minute. Buildings rolled, dishes were dislodged and clocks stopped.—United Press.

Dr. Tsiang told the Press that he filed the letter under direct instructions from the acting Foreign Minister, George Yen, in Canton.

The letter accused the Soviet of violation of the 1945 Sino-Russian treaty of friendship and of the United Nations Charter.

Dr. Tsiang's letter to General Romulo and Mr. Lie read: "Under instructions of my Government I have the honour to request that an item be added to the agenda of the fourth session of the General Assembly. The item to be added is as follows: 'Threats to the political independence and territorial integrity of China and to the peace of the Far East resulting from the Soviet violation of the Sino-Soviet treaty of friendship and alliance of August 14, 1945, and from the Soviet violation of the Charter of the United Nations. I request early consideration of the matter by the general committee.'

He said he would make it clear in the General Committee's debate what articles of the Soviet-Chinese treaty and the Charter that China's Government considers have been violated by Russia.

"I owe it to my colleagues in the General Assembly that they should have a detailed statement first."

Dr. Tsiang said the Chinese delegation had consulted a considerable number of governments here and their consensus was that it is within the sovereign rights of China to decide whether to appeal to the UN or not.

There have been persistent reports that both the United States and Britain tried to dissuade China, but Dr. Tsiang said: "No delegation attempted to persuade China or to dissuade China in this matter."

Modest Programme

Dr. Tsiang added: "The immediate problem before the United Nations is both moral and political."

"At this particular stage of development we feel that the judgment of the Assembly would carry greater weight among the nations of the world than action by the Council."

We "feel that the moral and political judgment of the world is the most important factor at this moment in the settlement of developments in the Far East."

Dr. Tsiang refused to say whether he expects the Assembly to condemn Russia for giving help to the Chinese Communists.

He would not comment whether he desires the establishment of a special UN investigation committee to study his charges.

Greater Weight

Asked why the charges were placed with the General Assembly rather than the Security Council, Dr. Tsiang said: "The immediate problem is both moral and political. At this stage we feel that the judgment of the Assembly would carry greater weight."

The Assembly's Steering Committee has fixed a meeting for Wednesday to decide upon including the Chinese complaint in the agenda.

Although non-committal in its support of China, the United States will vote to discuss the issue at this Assembly.

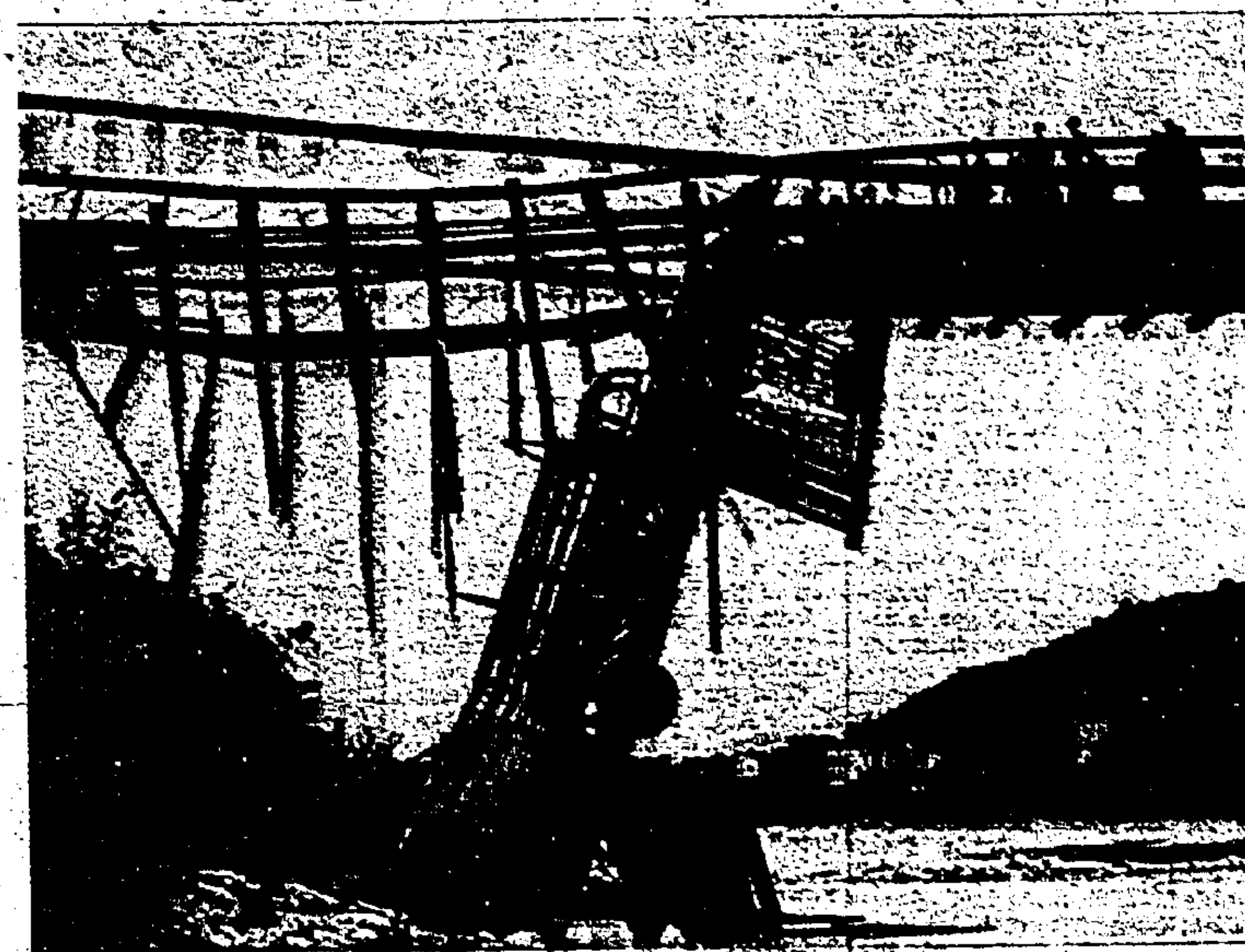
It is expected to go to the Political Committee for speedy consideration.—United Press.

EDITOR'S DEATH

Brentwood, Long Island, September 27. Mr. Arthur C. Clarke, aged 79, former newspaper editor, died here today from a heart attack.

Born in Peterborough, England, where he received his early education, Mr. Clarke was Sunday news editor of the New York "Herald-Tribune" until his retirement in 1947. Previously, he was editor of New York "World" and then of New York "Herald"—United Press.

Hanging On By A Bumper



A 10-ton truck loaded with pig-iron hangs on to a Rhone River bridge by its bumper after dropping through the span. Only one of the three occupants was injured. The bridge is at Givors, France. (Associated Press Photo).

FAR EASTERN SHARE
OF AID PLAN FUNDS

Washington, September 27.

The Assistant Secretary of State, Mr. Willard Thorpe, revealed today that the Far Eastern nations and the Mid-Eastern and African groups will share equally about 62 per cent or \$53,000,000 of the proposed \$85,620,000 fund for economic development under President Truman's Point Four programme.

This means \$26,500,000 for each group. Mr. Thorpe said the remaining 38 per cent would go to Latin-American nations.

Mr. Thorpe made the statement to the House Foreign Affairs Committee holding hearings on Point Four legislation.

The Philippines is regarded by high officials here as one of the most likely fields in the Far East for the initiation of Point Four programmes chiefly because economic development plans are well advanced.

The Philippine economic development programme has probably been studied more thoroughly by the World Bank, for instance, than any other Far Eastern development plan.

Mr. Thorpe said the recipients would contribute \$23,540,000 of the fund and the United States and international agencies would make up the remaining \$57,080,000.

U.S. Share

The United States share would be \$35,000,000, including \$3,000,000 for administrative expenses.

Without specifying which countries would be involved, Mr. Thorpe gave the following breakdowns on the proposed spending by project: Agriculture and forestry, \$18,339,550; health, \$17,306,400; education, \$8,998,950; industrial development, \$8,466,550; reclamation, \$6,562,500; laboratory equipment, \$5,948,150; transportation, \$5,192,050; general economic development, \$3,477,000; social services, \$2,735,950; mineral resources, \$2,673,700; fisheries, \$1,221,500; housing, \$1,204,600; public administration, \$1,047,000; geological surveys, \$815,700; statistics, \$737,550; communications, \$520,700; finance, \$380,850; and weather, \$274,500.

Tentative Figures

Mr. Thorpe said, however, that these figures were only tentative since the foreign governments involved in the programme have not yet been consulted and might prefer some realignment.

As far as the sharing of United States "know how" was concerned, Mr. Thorpe said that would be accomplished largely through research laboratories, technical libraries and film services, exchange of teachers and students, demonstrations of methods and international conferences.—United Press.

Truman To
Carry Out
"Fair Deal"

Washington, September 27.

President Truman today announced that his Government is determined to carry out his "Fair Deal" programme of social reform. "We will do so in spite of the activities of certain people who say there is something alien or dangerous in the ideas of a government that works for the welfare of all our citizens," he declared.

In a broadcast to the women of America under the sponsorship of the Democratic National Committee's Women Division, he said that the Democratic Party proposed to see that the Federal Government carried out its "constitutional responsibility" to "promote the general welfare."

People who opposed the idea were "just about 150 years behind the times. They want us to forget the language of the Constitution."—Reuter.

SENATE
CONFIRMS
OFFICIAL

Washington, September 27.

The Senate today confirmed the appointment of Mr. William Buttenworth as Assistant Secretary of State for Far Eastern affairs, despite Republican charges that he symbolized the "complete failure" of American policy in China.

The vote was 49-27, with Republicans casting all the "no" votes.

Confirmation of Mr. Buttenworth's appointment, withheld since President Truman appointed him on May 27, came after Senator William Fulbright maintained that Mr. Buttenworth was not responsible for "fundamental defeat" in U.S. Far Eastern policy.

Senator Allen Ellender defended Mr. Buttenworth as "an excellent career man" who was being used as a "scapegoat" by critics of the Administration's China policy.

Republican Senators Styles Bridges and William Knowland were being "promoted" after mistakes which had sped Communist advances in China.

They attacked his record of duty in the "Nanking Embassy" and as head of the Department's Office of Far Eastern Affairs.—United Press.

CZECH REDS
ARRESTED

Prague, September 27.

At least 20 leading Communists in the Hardec Kralovec district of Bohemia have been arrested, it was learned here today.

The arrests followed the discovery of a hidden store of arms beneath the floor of one of the town's public buildings occupied by the local Sokol (National Physical Culture) organization.

The discovery of the arms dump was being linked with reports that Czechoslovakia may soon produce a major "revisionist" trial on the pattern of the recent Budapest proceedings against Laszlo Rajk and others.

Officially, no information has been released.—Reuter.

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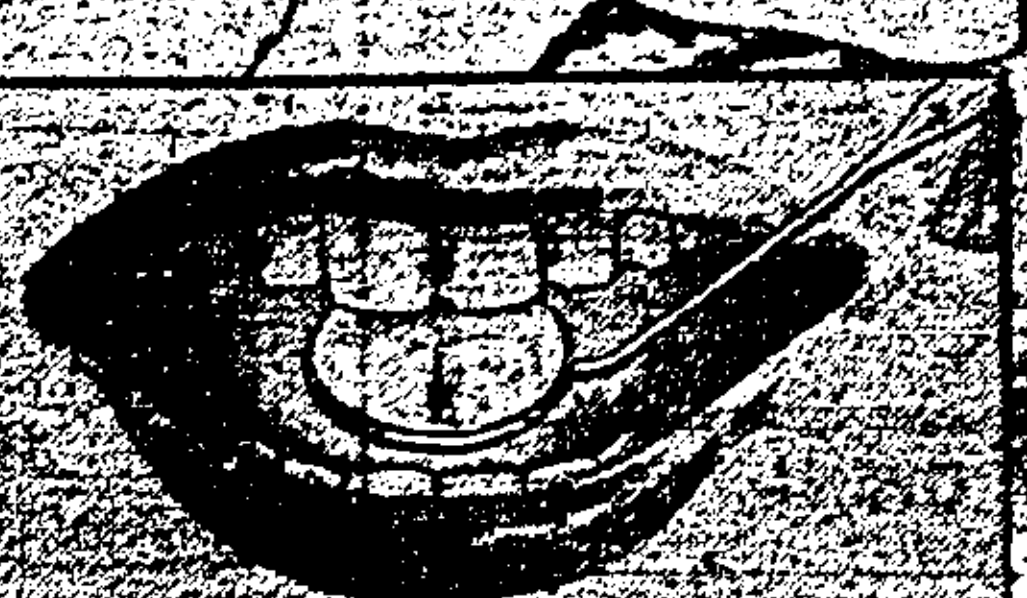
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GERMAN DP'S FOR THE U.S.?

Geneva, September 27. Representative Francis Walter (Democrat, Pennsylvania), chairman of the special House Committee on Refugees, today recommended that the United States and other countries allow the entry of 500,000 German farmers who were refugees from Germany's former Eastern territories.

Mr. Walter told the press he thought the United States could "with safety to our economy" take 100,000 of these agricultural expellees. He said there was no place for them in the German economy.

Mr. Walter also said credit machinery "like our own Reconstruction Finance Corporation" should be set up to make "small business loans" to another 8,000,000 expellees who, he believed, could be absorbed in Germany's present areas.

The Committee has been conferring with officials of the International Refugee Organisation following a tour of Germany and Austria. Members will leave tomorrow to visit displaced persons' camps in Italy.

Mr. Walter said there was no Jewish problem any longer in the displaced persons camps.

He added that only about 5,000 Jews remained in these camps and if the Senate agreed to changes in the refugee deadlines these would be eligible to go to the United States.—United Press.

London, September 27. The Chancellor of the Exchequer, Sir Stafford Cripps, today raised Britain's profit tax by one fifth to offset the inflationary effect on cheapening the Pound.

The tax on profits is now 25 per cent. Sir Stafford told the House of Commons that he is raising it as from today to 30 per cent.

The Chancellor also warned British businessmen: "If there is any further breaking away from the voluntary limitation of dividends, I shall consider myself at liberty to introduce legislation to restrict dividends in the next financial bill."

A Treasury spokesman said the Chancellor had authority to raise the tax at once.

In due course, the spokesman said, the Chancellor will presumably submit some sort of formal motion asking for the Commons' approval.

In view of Labour's heavy Commons majority, approval would be practically automatic. Informed observers see his action as a sop to rank and file Labour. Many Labour folk have said the little men will suffer most from devaluation's inflationary effects.

The Trades Union Congress has been insisting that even a slight rise in the cost of living would prove unbearable to the lower-paid British workers.

Inducement to Investors

Sir Stafford said he does not intend to raise Government food subsidies; these are intended to keep prices down for the poor. The Chancellor had insisted earlier this year that they could not be permitted to rise any higher.

The increased profits tax can be levied only on companies whose head offices are in Britain.



SIR STAFFORD CRIPPS

It may thus be an inducement to investors to put their money in such things as South African gold mines, immune from British budgets.

The new tax will affect dividends on American capital invested in British companies equally with any other capital.

Deterrent to Americans

London financial quarters feel that this could hardly fail to be an additional deterrent to American capital investment. Already in Britain it faces many deterrents which it does not experience at home.

Sir Stafford's announcement means that in future the tax collector will take 12s. 3d. of every Pound profit paid out in dividends instead of 11s. 9d., leaving the shareholder now only 7s. 8 1/2d.

The profits tax itself goes up five per cent, but the effective increase is less than a shilling in the Pound because profits tax is levied on what is left after payment of 45 per cent income tax.

Total tax on profits ploughed back into business instead of being paid out in dividend, remains at just over 50 per cent.

Unselective

There will thus be a stronger incentive—which is what the Chancellor wanted—to keep money in business instead of raising dividends.

The Chancellor himself implied that the new tax will be unselective. It is being described here tonight as an essentially political concession to organised labour, to sweeten the bitter pill of foregoing wage increases.

Admitting that his last budget was proving "less satisfactory than he intended," the Chancellor promised a review of the investment programme and of Government expenditure.

Since he ruled out any cuts in defense or on social services, he promised "substantial but not spectacular savings."

In a striking phrase, he said that the country had the choice of "productivity or unemployment."

Dollar Rate

Industrial flexibility in order to maintain general employment, he declared, might temporarily inconvenience some workers but he did not outline any specific measures for achieving mobility of labour.

Sir Stafford gave a long explanation of his choice of a fixed instead of a floating exchange rate to the United States dollar and of a lower rate than was generally expected.

One of the reasons he advanced for his action was that there had been some dealings in "cheap pounds" in free markets at below 53. Before devaluation the official British attitude was that the free markets would be ignored.

More important, the Chancellor said, the rate had to be pitched so low that it was obvious to the world it was a "final and complete operation" and that there would be no second lowering.

He added only that reactions to the rate indicated that he had succeeded in showing that the exchange went far enough.—Associated Press and Reuter.

DESERTIONS FROM SOVIET

Frankfurt, September 27. Twenty-four Soviet Zone "People's Police" have fled to the United States Zone during the past 10 days, the German authorities revealed today.

They were said to have asked for political asylum, claiming that they fled because they feared being recruited for military service with the guerrillas in Greece.—Reuter.

Black Shadow Blots Out Freedom

San Francisco, September 27. In a speech prepared for delivery to a convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the United States here today, the Archbishop of York, Dr. Cyril Garbett, said:

"The black shadow of totalitarianism has blotted out freedom in many countries in Eastern Europe."

Declaring that the Anglican Communion stands for freedom, Dr. Garbett said that the Anglican Church does something towards teaching the secular and political world of the importance of freedom if the nations are to live together in peace not, withstanding their ideologies.—Associated Press.

CZECHS "WILL FIGHT"

Prague, September 27. Czechoslovakia's Defence Minister, General Ladislav Svoboda, declared today that the Czechs will "fight to preserve our freedom by the side of the Soviet army if anybody dares endanger it."

General Svoboda spoke by radio, primarily addressing Czech soldiers who finish two-year terms of military duty on Wednesday.

He said that the Czech army had been reorganised with new officers "drawn from the ranks of the victorious workers' class and all the working people."

"The treacherous handful of domestic bourgeoisie, which 11 years ago committed treason against all of us (in the Munich agreement which began the partition of Czechoslovakia) has already played its unvirtuous role to the end."

We "must make sure that gone with them is also the era of exploitation, treachery and capitulation. Only thus can we ensure no second Munich," he said.—Associated Press.

Wedding In Kowloon



Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Remedios after their marriage at St. Theresa's Church on Tuesday. The bride is the former Miss Filomena Maria Gutierrez, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Gutierrez. ("China Mail" photo).

Discussions On Asian Health

New Delhi, September 27.

The South East Asian Regional Committee, World Health Organisation, meeting for its second day here today, adopted two resolutions.

One requested more adequate representation in the World Health Assembly Executive Board based on geographical importance, population magnitude and variety of health problems, the need for assistance from WHO and ability to contribute to the successful working of objectives.

The second resolution urged that Government of India provide greater office and housing accommodations for the regional office and staff in Delhi to cope with the increasing work of the organisation.

The Committee considered a resolution permitting the regional director to correspond direct on technical matters with directors of public health in member states and on policy matters with governments in this region.

The Food and Agricultural Organisation Regional Office for Asia and the Far East today presented a memorandum to the WHO Committee offering assistance and co-operation in the eradication of malaria which, it said, is a formidable obstacle to economic development and increased food production especially in Asia and the Far East.

GUAM CRASH

Guam, September 27.

The United States Air Force announced today that 11 men were killed and three others were critically wounded on Friday when a B-29 bomber crashed at the Pacific base in North Guam.

The crash was said to be due to engine failure on the take-off. Eight men were killed instantly and the three others died in hospitals.—Reuter.

Suicide Charges Against Woman

Quebec City, September 27.

Mrs. Marguerite Pitre, 41, who admitted placing a time-bomb aboard a Canadian airliner that killed her lover's unwanted wife and 22 other persons, was today charged with attempted suicide.

New Radio Broadcasts By PI

Manila, September 27. The Philippine Government, beginning next Monday, will broadcast through the powerful United States Government transmitter near Manila an information programme that could be heard not only in the most remote areas of the Philippines but also by foreign radio audiences.

Domestically, the plan primarily is intended for the benefit of remote communities not serviced by newspapers and private radio stations. Receiving sets will be distributed to these communities.

Internationally, the broadcast will be somewhat similar to the Voice of America broadcasts.

The broadcasts are expected to carry up to the minute news developments in the Philippines.—United Press.

Mrs. Pitre, who said she did not know the parcel contained a bomb when she delivered it to the plane, was released from hospital when she had been held under guard since she admitted to the police that she had been the unwitting tool of her lover.

She was immediately arrested and charged with twice trying to commit suicide, once by gas in her apartment and a second time with sleeping tablets.

Meanwhile, J. Albert Guay, 31, jewellery salesman, who, police said, had a love nest in every town along his route, went to court for the completion of the formal filing of a murder charge accusing him of killing his wife Rita.

Completely composed and saying not a word, Guay sat in the prisoner's dock staring straight ahead, during the 10-minute proceedings.

Judge A. Garon remanded him to goal until the preliminary hearing on October 4, when Guay will enter his plea to the murder charge.

Mrs. Pitre is expected to appear in court tomorrow to answer the suicide charge and, perhaps, be charged as an accessory in the plot that killed 20 Canadians and three American industrialists when their airliner exploded in Quebec on September 3.—United Press.

Czech Pilot Deserts To Americans

Munich, September 27. The pilot of a twin-engine Czechoslovak airliner landed his plane at Fuerth near Nuremberg today and sought asylum as a political refugee.

He had diverted the aircraft to Fuerth while on a routine flight from Marianske Lazne to Prague. The United States authorities would not disclose the name of the pilot, who told them that he had come because he was "sick and tired of Czechoslovakia."

The plane's radio operator and the only passenger, a woman with a small child, said that they had no prior knowledge of the pilot's intention.

Both said that they wanted to return to Czechoslovakia and were handed over to the Czechoslovak Consul at Munich.

The American authorities are tonight arranging to send the plane back to Czechoslovakia and are "checking" the pilot.—Reuter.



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KINGHORN—To Olga, wife of
Kenneth Kinghorn, on 28th
September at Queen Mary
Hospital—a daughter.

A SERIOUS LOSS

The news that General Festing, recently appointed GOC-in-C of Hong Kong, is being flown back to England because of illness will come as a shock to many people in the Colony. It is not conventional politeness but a plain statement of fact to say that his departure will be most deeply regretted, by both troops and civilians.

The tall, massively-built soldier with the disarming grin and the completely natural manner was the ideal man for the complex and difficult task he was brought out here to do. He has "a way with him," and his approach to people puts them at ease, and makes them warm to him, whether they be ambassadors or National Service men.

General Festing's grasp of modern military strategy, his wide experience and insight, his tact and administrative ability were clearly shown from the time of his appointment here. He had the unique task in peacetime of co-ordinating all the armed forces under one command—his own—and seldom has such transition of authority taken place so smoothly and satisfactorily. Competent observers, of whom there are a number in the Colony, state the military organisation here is a model of efficiency.

In his relations with the public and the Press, the general showed a keen sense of the psychological side of armed preparations. His was not the hidebound approach which considers that civilians should mind their own business, while experts keep their own counsel on defence matters. He announced clearly what his intentions were, what the situation was which affected everyone living here, and by so doing won trust and respect. One can hope for a successor who will share his views.

Much affection and the sincerest of good wishes will go with General Festing when he leaves. We trust that all will be well with him.

Vote Of Confidence

When a government asks for a vote of confidence, it has no intention of submitting for the good of the nation to democratic processes. It is primarily concerned with demonstrating to the potential rebels in its own ranks that they had better think again, and that now is the time for all good men to come to the aid of the party.

This is what has happened regarding the Socialists' stand in Britain on the question of devaluation. There has been considerable dissatisfaction with their policies, not only in the "capitalist" Press but among the public generally. It might be dangerous to allow things to degenerate to the point where a general election would be necessary, so the vote of confidence—approval—was the obvious move.

In spite of all their blunders, the Socialists are in point of fact well entrenched in power. The welfare state appeals to too many people at the moment, and their adherence is reasonably well assured, at least until the final crash comes.

THE NEW INQUISITION IS MOVING INTO THE LAB

By TOM POCOCK

THEY WANT TO BUY BRITISH

By JOHN SWIFT

Even sunshine cannot dispel the gloom which is spreading in South Africa as a result of the cuts in imports and the realisation that the days of free spending have finished, for the time being at least.

For a few days there was hope that the new Free State Gold funds would stimulate the flow of capital from Great Britain to the Union, but a few days sufficed to end that hope.

There is no need for panic because in the last ten years South Africa has never gone short, and although there are grumbles because there is less mutton than beef, there is never any shortage of meat.

All that import control means to the man in the street is that he must think twice before buying luxuries. True, he is not very happy at the restrictions because he has to look round when shopping and put up with home-produced articles which are very often inferior to British ones and are certainly no cheaper. In fact in some cases they are dearer than British goods.

As an example of prices, flannel trousers of inferior cut are 2s. a pair dearer than the British equivalent—which has been shipped 5,000 miles.

The fear is that South Africa may lose British products, as "Buy British" is a slogan well known in the Union.

This slogan is not one with an empty ring, as there is both sentimental feeling and a real appreciation of a good product. Cars from Britain do not enjoy great popularity, but that is because they are mainly unsuitable for rough cross-country trek.

But other commodities, such as ready-made clothing, china, glass, cutlery, certain types of machinery and textiles and the like are always sure of a ready market when Mr. Havelange decides that the National "Kitty" is sufficient to resume ordinary trade with Britain.

Firms Facing Liquidation

The imposition of import cuts has also caused concern to the big import houses who formerly had large stocks. The declining volume of trade has meant substantial economies, and commercial travellers who were first-class "Buy British" propagandists are now without work.

With the wartime harvest of fly-by-night manufacturers over, many people in this country thought that competition of imported goods would make South African manufacturers learn to improve the quality of their products, but British articles are still holding their own.

In fact local industrialists and commercial heads are worried by the determined way in which housewives and others ask whether an article is British. This is the big obstacle facing local manufacturers. At the same time it bodes well for British sellers once the Union gets back to normal.

Austerity for Two Years

Inquiries in Pretoria indicate that South Africa's austerity period is likely to last for two years, and although it is stated that import control is not to protect home industries, it is thought that a renewed effort will be made to capture the market from British goods.

The inside picture at present is one of muddle and confusion, with buyers for the big houses scratching their heads and unable to make any forecast of the future.

One of the latest matters for Economic Affairs that the Director of Imports and Exports can cancel at any time without notice any permit for imports.

This is acting as a brake, and it is thought it may also rob British manufacturers of confidence. It is a strange assertion in view of Mr. Eric Louw's desperate attempts to straighten out the trade muddle here.

In a statement he made to me when he returned from America he said, in effect, that everything in the garden was lovely, and that American businessmen were eyeing South Africa with a view to investing big money.

But this has not been borne out as there is still an indication that America is the slightest bit interested in usurping the position held for so many years by British investors and manufacturers.

For the past year the scientific world has been split by a furious controversy: Are our lives shaped by our heredity or by our environment? Could a human being be improved by selective breeding or by perfected environment during growth?

This argument not only concerns bickering scientists. It reaches out of the laboratories into the lives of us all.

On our right we have the open-minded scientists of the non-Communist world. On our left we have the Soviet scientific spokesmen, Lysenko, and the intolerant, one-track mind of the Kremlin.

Arguments Aired

This argument is today brought to a head in a small, pungent book, "Russia Passes the Clock Back," by John Langdon-Davies (Victor Gollancz, 7s. 6d.).

Not only are the arguments aired and examined, but one of Britain's most brilliant scientists, Professor J.B.S. Haldane, is put "on the spot."

Haldane is no ordinary scientist. He tries to combine his science with Communism, and works both as a submarine scientist for the Royal Navy and as chairman of the Daily Worker editorial board.

All British fellow-travellers who yesterday were impressed by the statement of a Labour M.P., Mrs. Leah Manning, that "there is a lively, provocative inquisitive air towards all things educational and cultural in the Soviet Union" should study the case of Professor Haldane and take warning.

The contest between the theories of heredity and environment is not new.

In America, some say, perfect potatoes have been bred by destroying all but the healthiest plants. In Russia, claims Lysenko,

wheat seedlings have been treated with heat and cold to enable crops to be raised in extremes of temperature.

With give-and-take from both sides, science could have made tremendous advances in agriculture and eventually improved the health of mankind.

But not so in Russia. Any Russians with a "lively, provocative, inquisitive air" must wear Marxist blinkers. As Langdon-Davies says: "In Russia there is no room for tolerance between groups of angry men.... There is no question of Lysenko going ahead with his better methods of planting potatoes, his sowing of cereals in the stubble, while scientific geneticists (studying heredity and variation) went on with their fundamental research...."

Who is this new Prophet of Environment? Trofim Lysenko is a clever, ambitious young Russian farmer who has undoubtedly obtained some remarkable results while experimenting with crops.

However, the British geneticist Dr. S. C. Harland said, after a three-hour talk with Lysenko, that he found him to be "completely ignorant of the elementary principles of genetics and plant physiology."

Then how did Lysenko become Russia's high priest of science? With official backing from the Kremlin, Lysenko discredited his opponents. Those who refused to accept his beliefs and toe the Lysenko Line were dismissed from their posts and their laboratories were closed. Langdon-Davies puts it simply: "We are back to the inquisition."

This denial of fundamental scientific rights is breathtaking to us by the attitude of Professor

guards is the son of the president of a world-famous American corporation.

Anyone inclined to point to all this as a glowing example of private enterprise will be disappointed.

By CLAUDE BONARD

appointed, Jones Beach is one of the New York State parks.

On a recent Sunday at a famous South Coast of England resort that depends entirely upon attracting visitors, the approved parking space along the front had filled up, and two policemen on bicycles were dutifully ensuring that no one parked elsewhere. A man had sheltered his car in a side road opposite a high wooden fence, where common sense suggested it should not be: the constable at his side was courteous but firm.

Frame Of Mind

In the but provided for refreshments, two girls in tea-sodden overalls were handing

The Conference At The Hague
By WINDRUSH

The conference at The Hague between the Dutch and the Indonesians has not been making progress as quickly as was hoped. During the last few months the Dutch decided to give full satisfaction to the nationalists in Indonesia, just as a few years ago the British decided to withdraw from India. The purpose of the Hague conference is to work out the practical details of the transfer of power by the Dutch, and of a Dutch-Indonesian Union on whose creation both sides are agreed in principle.

Opinion in Holland is not so united behind the new and liberal policy as was opinion in England over the withdrawal from India. Yet there is no reason to think that the Dutch are double-faced in their offer to hand over power. The unfortunate thing is the way that the Dutch have conducted the negotiations. They have used the wrong psychological approach.

The Dutch have great material interests in Indonesia. About 20 per cent of their national income is derived from there. This was one of their reasons for resisting for so long the rise of the republicans in Java. But now that the Dutch have decided to accept the demands of the nationalists, their only way of protecting their economic interests is to win the friendship of the nationalists. For this, generosity in negotiation—and, what is more, the unmistakable appearance of generosity—is absolutely necessary. If the nationalists feel that the freedom of Indonesia is

being given with reservation and without cordiality and if this freedom is accorded only on unpalatable conditions, the Dutch will have lost Indonesia without having gained in exchange any of the goodwill and solid economic benefit which is within their grasp.

Must Have Assistance

The Indonesian leaders are inexperienced, and emotional, and they have often been rash. Yet they understand their position, and know that in the present state of their country they cannot govern satisfactorily without aid and technical assistance from the West. They are quite ready for that aid to come from Holland. They are ready for the two countries to continue in a formal union, provided that Indonesia is as genuinely free as a Dominion in the British Commonwealth. Thus all the possibilities exist for profitable co-operation between Holland and Indonesia.

Unfortunately the Dutch have not been putting their trust in Indonesian perception of where their interests lie. They have not gambled on winning Indonesian goodwill. Instead they have been treating the grant of Independence as an opportunity for driving hard bargains. They want the Indonesians to make a written treaty agreement which, in exchange for the Dutch conceding independence, would give Holland a "virtual" economic stranglehold in Indonesia. The

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Haldane, who, secure from secret police terrorism, had to make the straight choice between his Communism and his conscience as a scientist.

Kremlin's Eyes

Would he renounce his former views, which now suddenly became sinful in the eyes of the Kremlin?

Haldane gave his answer in a broadcast debate on November 30 last year, to which Langdon-Davies devotes 42 pages. Splitting Haldane's arguments into 16 parts, Langdon-Davies charges the professor with whitewashing, hedging, and generally dazzling his audiences with scientific double-talk.

To the layman Haldane's most frightening statement—his casual reference to the purging of a Soviet scientist by the State. He said: "If, as I am told, Dr. Dubinin's laboratory in Moscow has been closed I am very sorry to hear it."

In Section 3

To this Langdon-Davies replies: "Professor Haldane is perfectly aware that there is no doubt about it. He has read the resolution, Section 3 of the resolution of the Presidium of the U.S.S.R. Academy of Sciences of August 26, 1948, reads: 'The Cytogenetic Laboratory... headed by N. P. Dubinin shall be abolished as unscientific and useless.'"

In that sentence is summed up the complete subservience of free thought to the dictates of a political party.

Now that Langdon-Davies' book is published today, will Haldane defend himself?

Or can he, like the Dean of Canterbury, continue to lead the Communist Party without renouncing a faith which cuts sharply across the party lines?

"It would be nice," muses Langdon-Davies, "if he could contrive to be a sort of scientific Tito."

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"Mr. Hugh Dalton has lately suffered from a sceptic finger. I've seen pictures of him wagging it."

The Teladivior. "In an Essex community... the advent of TV has brought new colour to, and changed the pattern of the lives of the villagers."

Yes—it did in China, too. One of our busy socialites living on the Peak was interviewed by a reporter the other day. "He been trying to see you all week, ma'am," he said.

"Very well," she exclaimed, "I just make an appointment with my secretary."

"I did," pursued the reporter, "and we had a marvellous time, but I still like an interview."

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There you go, starting all over again. The doctor was questioning the hospital nurse about one of her patients. "Have you kept a chart on the patient's progress?" he asked.

"No," she blushing replied, "but I can show you my diary."

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LABOUR MEMBERS TO SUPPORT GOVERNMENT

Left Wingers Decide Against A "Revolt" SECRET CAUCUS SEQUEL

London, September 27.

Labour members of Parliament are reported to have agreed today to support the Government in the Pound devaluation crisis.

Reliable informants said that a general agreement to support the Attlee Cabinet in its fight for survival was taken at a friendly secret caucus this morning.

"There were no fireworks," the informants said. This suggested that left wing legislators had changed their minds about attacking the Government's policy.

RAF ON JOB IN MALAYA

Singapore, September 27.

Royal Air Force activity has increased in the British fighting against Communist terrorists in the Malayan jungles.

The Army announced today that a two-mile long convoy of units of the Second Guards Brigade crossed the mountains in the direction of Kuala Lumpur and Pahang behind an armoured vehicle serving as a contact car for air support.

The planes overhead were ready to attack with fire power equivalent to a cruiser's broadside, but the convoy got through without incident.

In another area near Pahang, Beaufighters went into action with rocket bombs against a group of 200 terrorists. The results of the attack were not given.

An officer, a sergeant and a private of the Scots Guards were killed when a grenade was thrown at them by a survivor of a gang which they had successfully ambushed.

The incident took place at Kuala Kubu, 20 miles north of Kuala Lumpur, last Sunday afternoon.

The Scots Guardsmen, who had waited in hiding by a known bandit camp, opened fire when bandits approached and killed three of a gang.

While the bodies were being collected another bandit threw a grenade, killing all three Guardsmen.—Associated Press and Reuter.

Attempt To Rescue Explorers

London, September 27.

The relief ship, John Biscoe, will leave Southampton on October 11 to make another attempt to relieve 11 British explorers marooned in the Antarctic, the Colonial Office said today.

The ship has been fitted with a new steel prow to allow her to cut through ice packs.

Two planes, one of them a Canadian Norseman fitted to land on ice, will be on board to undertake the relief operations if the John Biscoe is unable to reach the exploring party on Grahamland.

The party is led by Dr. Vivian Fuchs, 42-year-old geologist. The John Biscoe twice failed to reach them last year after leaving the party on Grahamland in December, 1947.—Associated Press.

Russia First Tested Bomb In 1946

New Bedford, Massachusetts, September 27.

The New Bedford "Standard-Times" said today it had confidential information that Russia held its first successful test of the atom bomb on August 15, 1946.

At that time, the newspaper said, Russian scientists said the Soviets expected to have a stockpile of 100 atom bombs by July, 1947.

The "Standard-Times" said its information came from an undercover agent for a Far Eastern government, who was once a special correspondent for a newspaper.—Associated Press.

AIR "WAR" ENDS IN A DRAW

London, September 27.

Britain's "Exercise Bulldog," a new test of its modern air defences, ended today in a draw.

United States, French, Belgian and Dutch planes joined Royal Air Force squadrons in the three-day mock air war. High air officers studying the results said both sides had some successes.

"There is no doubt that some of the tactics which the attacking forces adopted proved successful," a senior RAF officer said.

"Some attacks got away with it and some did not," he added. One definite result, he said, was the perfect co-operation between planes and ground staffs of five nations.

The exercises were designed particularly to give Britain's Bomber Command and American B-29 and B-50 Superfortresses based in Britain an opportunity to operate against jet fighters backed by radar and anti-aircraft screens.

Meanwhile, the names of the airmen killed in the Exercise Bulldog air crash were released by the Air Ministry this evening.

In one Lincoln were Pilot 22) P. Turner, Engineer (1) J. Sabin, Navigator (3) K. Hughes, Pilot (2) J. W. Badger, Signaller (2) A. C. Wonnacott, Gunner (2) C. F. Pester and Gunner (1) S. Wilson.

The crew of the other Lincoln were Pilot (2) J. Richardson, Engineer (2) D. Hirby, Flight Lieutenant J. Shorthouse, Navigator (2) A. H. J. Mitchell, Signaller (1) J. C. C. Simpson, Gunner (1) S. C. Talbot and Gunner (2) P. C. Pasullo.—Associated Press and Reuter.

Threat To Queuille Cabinet

Paris, September 27.

Organised labour revolt against the Government's wage-freezing policy tonight threatened Dr. Henri Queuille's Cabinet with the gravest crisis of its year-old career.

Cabinet Ministers late tonight resumed an earlier three-hour meeting to break the deadlock between Ministers favouring higher wages and those favouring "resistance to inflationary pressure" advocated in Paris today by the Marshall Aid Ambassador, Mr. Averell Harriman.

Failing agreement, French Cabinet may tomorrow resign. The President of the Republic, M. Vincent Auriol, returned from his country residence tonight and will preside at the weekly Council of Ministers tomorrow.

It is believed in Parliamentary circles that if the Ministers fail to agree tonight the President of the Republic will endeavour to find a compromise tomorrow.—Reuter.

GARRY DAVIS IN COURT

Paris, September 27.

Garry Davis, self-styled "World Citizen No. 1," was remanded in custody until October 4 when he appeared in court here today.

The ex-American flyer was arrested and released repeatedly during the past few days since he began picketing outside Cherche Mid Prison in protest at the gaoing of a conscientious objector.

Davis, who was unshaven, said in a statement, which he read in English, that he was determined "by word and act" to continue his fight on behalf of conscientious objectors.—Reuter.

TORY ATTACKS ON POLICY OF DEVALUATION

London, September 27.

Speaking in the House of Commons on the devaluation debate opened by the Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee, yesterday, Mr. Oliver Stanley (Conservative) said that the Opposition had no confidence in the Government. It would be dishonest to pass the Government's motion, he said.

This motion asks, in effect, for a vote of confidence in the Government's economic policy.

Mr. Stanley said that the Opposition would, at an appropriate moment in the three-day debate, move an amendment to the Government's motion and on which there could be a vote.

Devaluation was one more expedient to be added to those leading to a series of crises which had distinguished the Government's handling of the country's economic affairs, Mr. Stanley continued.

Mr. Stanley said that the Opposition objected to what he called the "dishonest and dangerous" attempt being made to show that the alternative to devaluation was mass unemployment and cuts in social services, and to make out that devaluation would be a safeguard against either.

Mr. Stanley did not favour a free exchange. "A Government which has so lost confidence all over the world obviously cannot afford to free the exchange," he said.

Half-Way House

But he wondered whether there was not a half-way house—the "floating rate," some freedom in the actual rate with the maintenance of some part of exchange control.

Surely, to some extent, fluctuations in the rate could be ironed out as in the previous devaluation by the exchange equalisation fund, he said. Slight variations in a higher rate of exchange would be less unpalatable than complete stability at the rate now selected.

Mr. D. N. Pritt, one of the five members expelled from the Labour Party, said that a reasonable remedy, which the Government would not look at, was to trade with the USSR and China and cut defence expenditure.

He thought that wholesale American investment in the British colonies would mean the United States taking over the British Empire.

Mr. Leonard Gamman, Conservative, accused the Government of making an "absolute mockery of European co-operation" by the way he announced devaluation.

Bitter Taste

He had left a very "bitter taste behind him," Mr. Gamman asserted.

Mr. David Eccles, winding up the first day's debate for the Opposition, said that the Government should have consulted the Dominions and European countries in a joint study of what rate gave the best prospect of earning most dollars.

Instead, unilateral devaluation had been "flung in the face of a Western Europe just when it was prepared to take a unique step forward in economic co-operation."

The French Finance Minister had said that it was a declaration of economic war, Mr. Eccles said, adding that it was quite likely to bring the French Government down, so delicate was the relation between wages and prices in France.

The debate was then adjourned until tomorrow when the President of the Board of Trade, Mr. Harold Wilson, and Mr. Winston Churchill, leader of the Opposition, are expected to speak.—Reuter.

BRITAIN'S LOST ISLAND

London, September 27.

Britain's lost island in the St. Brandon group of islets in the Indian Ocean, to which the Colonial Under-Secretary, Mr. David Rees-Williams, referred yesterday, disappeared in January last year when swept by a cyclone.

Mr. Rees-Williams told a Chamber of Commerce meeting at Croydon: "We have lost an island," but to prevent accusations that the "Labour Government was liquidating the Empire" he added that it had disappeared.

The island, Fou, was described by experts as only a sandy bank and an easy prey for the cyclone.

Another island in the group, Avocaire, weathered the storm better.

It re-appeared again when the wind and sea subsided, after having been submerged under six feet of water.

These St. Brandon islets were inhabited for several months of the year by about 50 fishermen from Mauritius, some 200 miles away.—Reuter.

Communists Rounded Up In Madras

Madras, September 27.

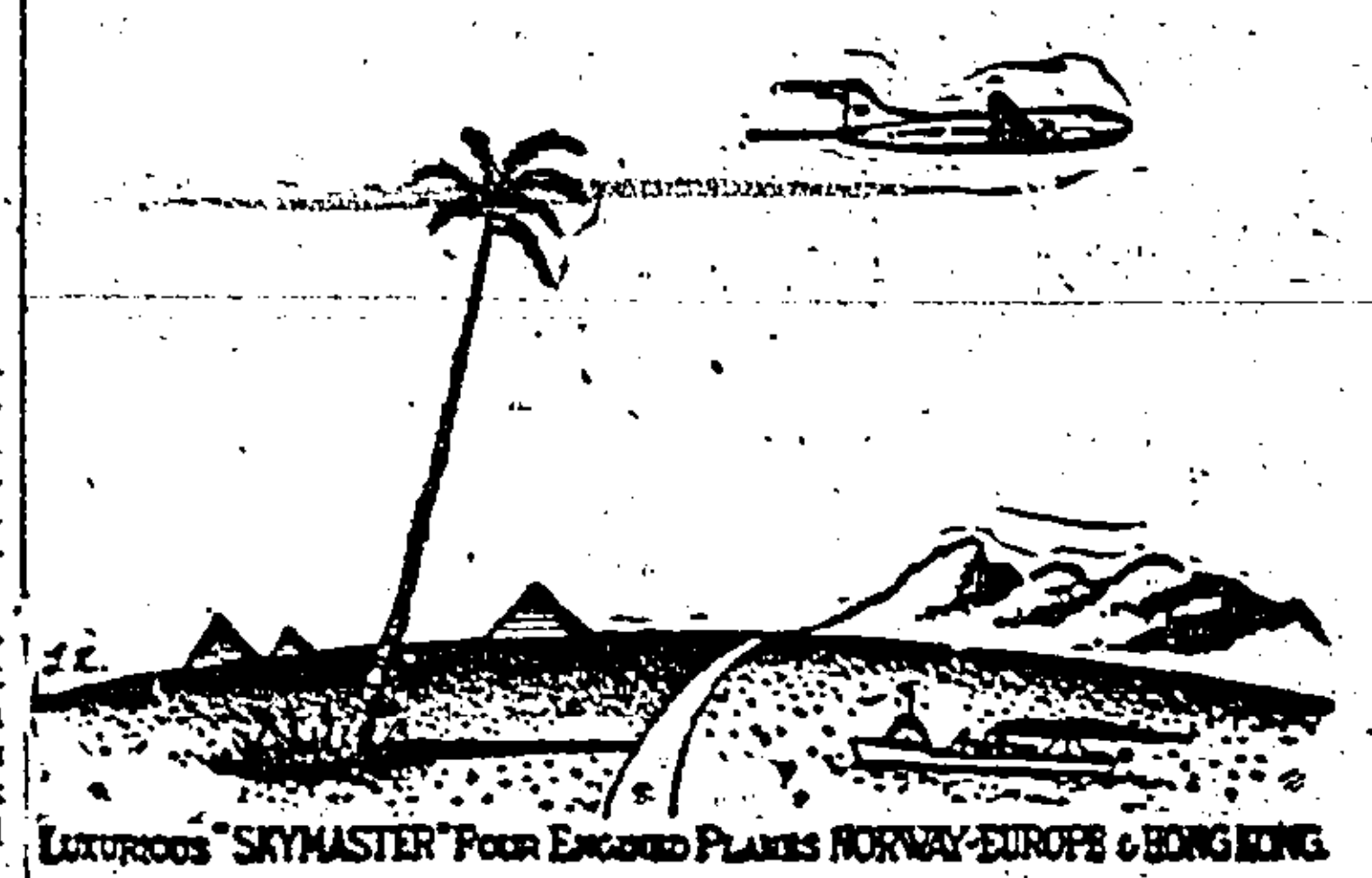
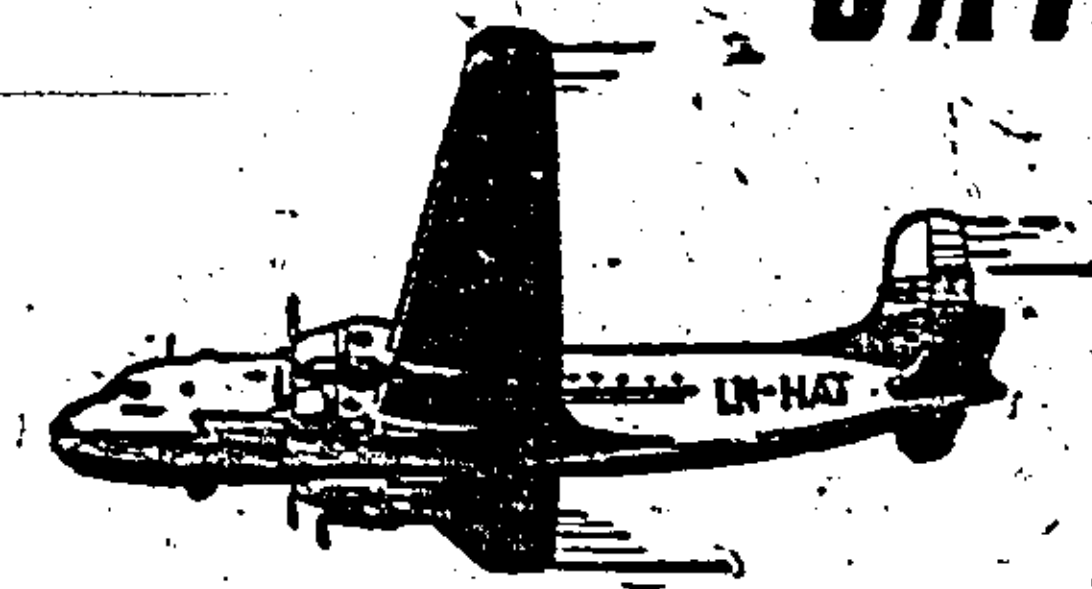
About 40 people, described as "active workers" of the Communist Party, were arrested today and detained by the police under the Madras Maintenance and Security Measures Act after the ban by the Madras Government on the Indian Communist Party and organisations.

In a province-wide roundup of Communist leaders and searches of party offices, the police unearthed a Communist ammunition factory near Tirupur, a cotton and textile centre in South India.

The Madras Government today ordered the freezing of funds belonging to four regional Communist Party branches and other organisations controlled by the Communists.

The Madras Law Minister, Mr. K. Madhavamenor, told Reuter that 700 Communists were now under detention and that 100 Communist leaders had gone underground.—Reuter.

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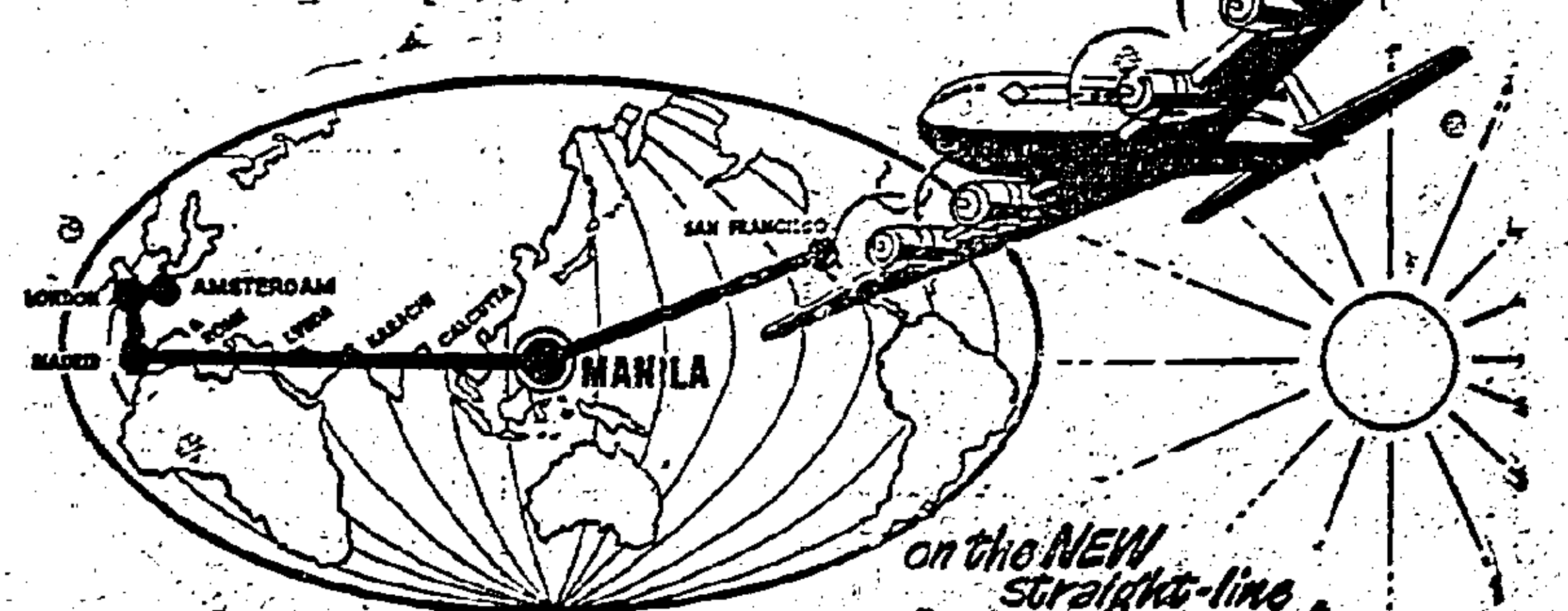
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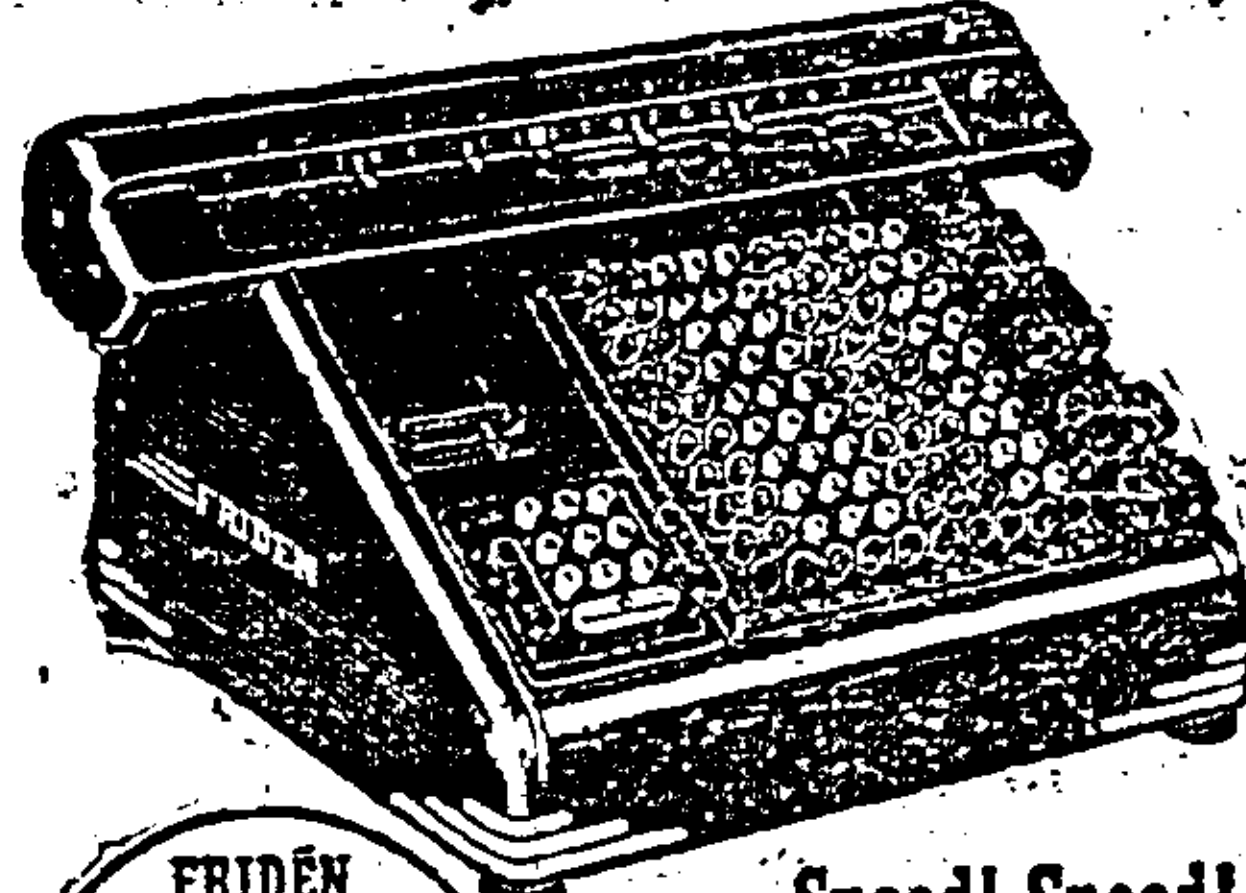
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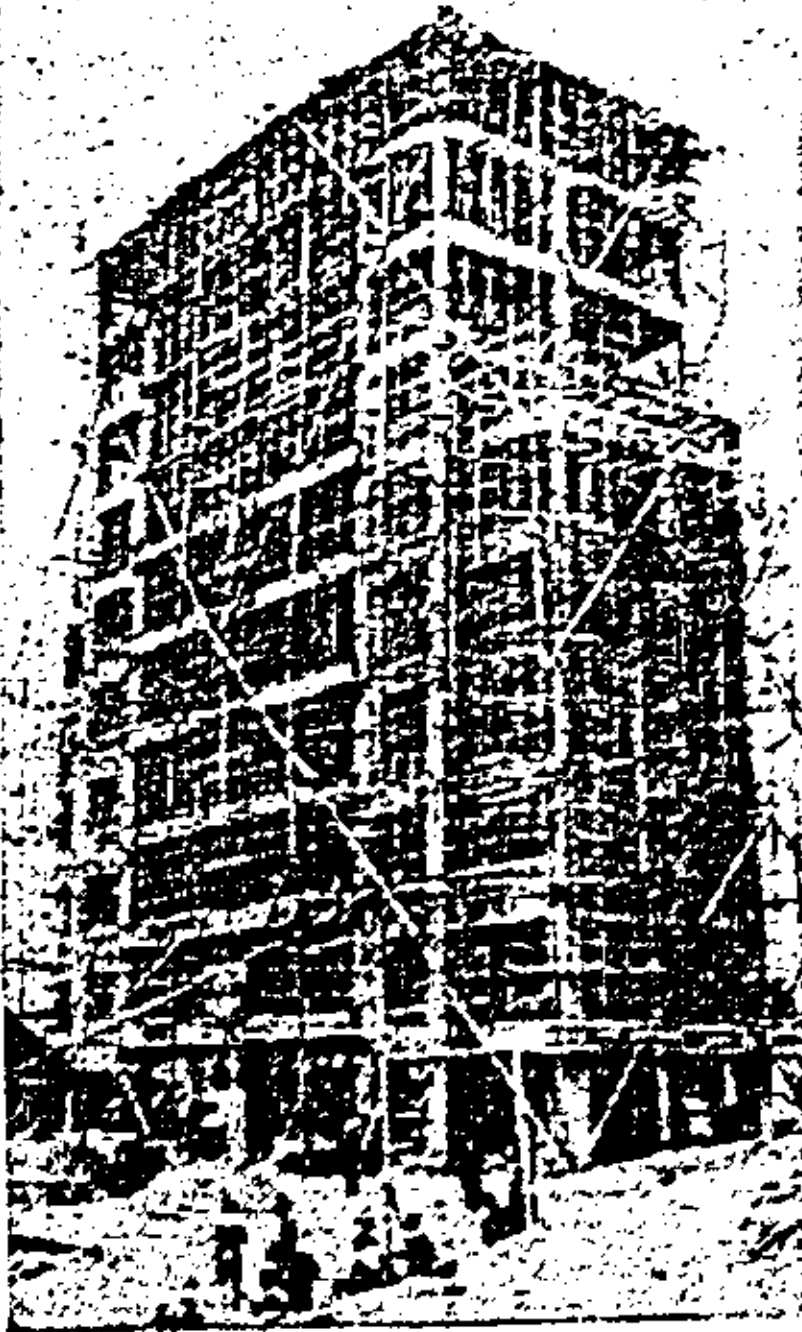
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ENGINEERING PAGE

Weapon Of War Against Rust

By MICHAEL GRANT

The fight against rust, the worst enemy of steel construction, has gone on since the first steel construction was erected. A highly efficient weapon to carry on this fight has been devised in Britain where Metallisation Ltd., of Dudley, Worcestershire, England, have constructed an automatic plant for spraying a protective aluminium coating on the surfaces of certain steel work.

The plant consists of a cleaning and a spraying machine which can be placed in a continuous line so that handling of the section can be reduced to a minimum.

Aluminium or zinc coating, to be sprayed on steel surfaces, can only perform their protective task satisfactorily, if the surface to be protected is previously completely cleaned of all impurities. This job is done in the automatic plant by the cleaning machine in which metal grit, made by crushing granulated cast steel or iron, is thrown by four wheels revolving at a speed of 2,500 revolutions per minute, on to the surfaces to be cleaned.

The dust produced during the operation is removed by cyclone extractors. The sections to be cleaned are propelled through the machine by motor-driven rollers at a speed of four feet per minute.

The steel sections are then passed to the metal spraying plant in which a continuous jet of molten aluminium or zinc is hurled with great force from 28 nozzles on to the passing sections.

In Spools

The aluminium or zinc wire, an eighth of an inch in diameter, is fed into each nozzle by an electric-motor drive. The wire is stored in spools on a platform above the machine, is fed down to each nozzle through copper tubing, melted by the burning heat of the spray, and is then fed into the nozzle.

The sections are pulled through the spraying machine on their roller conveyor by a chain at a speed of approximately 10 feet per minute. The nozzles are distributed in groups of from four to six at various angles so that they can spray the sections from all sides. Molten metal is sprayed in two runs, being turned over between runs. Aluminium can be deposited at a rate of 112 pounds per hour, normally to a thickness of 0.004 inch, and zinc at 450 pounds per hour, normally 0.007 inch thick. The sprayed surface has a matt finish which is particularly suitable for painting.

The deposition of the coating by the automatic plant is more uniform than would be obtained by manual spraying and therefore can be made thinner without endangering the efficiency of protection. This means a considerable saving in material.

Some New Adhesive Materials

New Adhesive Materials. Improved materials for gluing up foundry patterns have been developed by Aero Research Ltd., Duxford, Cambridgeshire, England. They are applied with a piece of wood to one surface while a material, called "Hardener" is brushed on to the other surface.

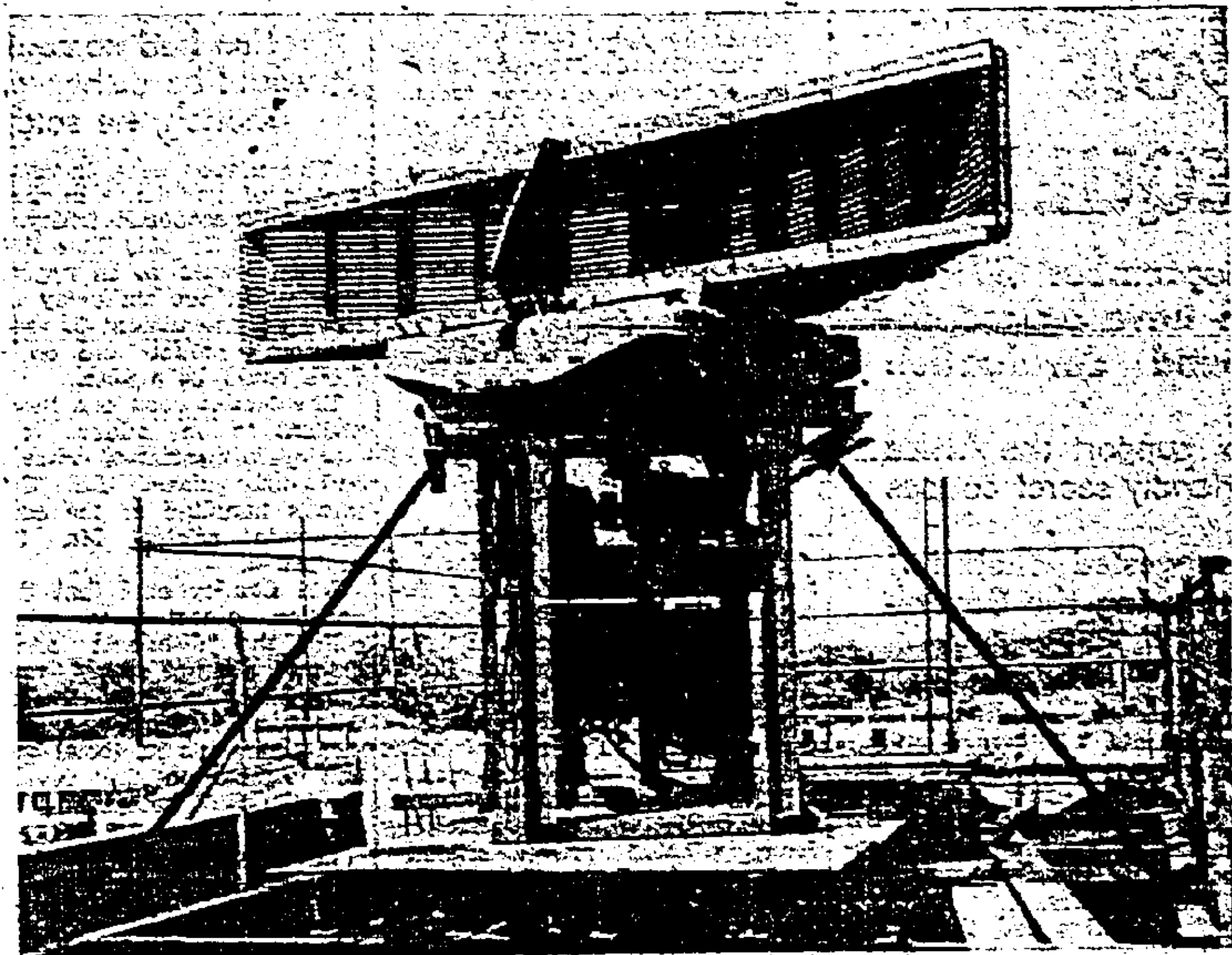
After an interval of a few minutes for air-drying, the surfaces are brought together and held by means of pattern-makers' dogs. No pressure is necessary as the material fills up the gap. The joint sets in about three-and-a-half hours.

It will withstand wetting without loss of strength, and is not affected by heavy wrapping when the pattern is being withdrawn from the mould. It is also proof against the effects of weather and bacteriological attack.

Another new adhesive material, based on rubber, has been developed for the process of veneering. It requires neither heat nor pressure to secure the veneer to the base material. The bond produced under this process is water, acid, alkali and mildew proof, and it will absorb most stresses and strains likely to be set up by expansion and contraction of the veneer and base.

All types of materials can be veneered, such as metal, glass,

Liverpool Harbour Radar



Aerial and aerial base on factory roof, in Liverpool area. Used by the 'Liverpool Harbour Board' Radar. Photo by Sperry Gyroscope Co. Ltd.

Proud British Record In Television Field

By SIR EDWARD V. APPLETON

Britain has a proud record as a pioneer in the science and art of radiocommunication. The early practical development of radio itself took place as a result of collaboration between Marconi and the British Post Office, culminating in the installation of the first long-distance radio link between this country and its oldest colony, Newfoundland.

Again, in the years of sound broadcasting, the first world-wide system was the BBC's Empire Service, while a few years later we had, at home, the first high-definition public television service which operated from 1936 until the outbreak of war.

During the war, research on television naturally had to cease in Great Britain, and many of the workers who had made us pre-eminent in the television field turned their attention to radar, which from the Battle of Britain onwards played such an important part in the defeat of the enemy.

There is no doubt that the high pitch of efficiency reached by British radar equipment of every kind was largely due to the application and further development of many of the techniques, originally employed or first suggested by the requirements of television. Many of the men responsible for the outstanding achievements of radar have now returned to industry anxious to apply to the problems of television the lessons learnt in warfare.

There is no doubt that before the war we had a long lead in television over the rest of the world. Admittedly the gap between us and our competitors has now been reduced, but nevertheless there would seem to be a fund of independent evidence to justify our believing that the post-war pictures sent out from Alexandra Palace are still the best to be seen in any public service in the world.

A Complicated Process

Now it is important to realise that television is a complicated process, in that a great wealth of detail has to be transmitted by radio and optical reproductions. Adequately the definition and the light and shade of the original scene. Moreover, this wealth of detail has to be repeated at least 25 times a second to give the impression of continuity in a moving scene.

In order that the rapidly changing signals which convey this detail are satisfactorily received, it is necessary that the reception band-width should be adequate. In the Alexandra Palace system the picture is divided up into just more than 500 horizontal lines, 405 to be precise. To

wood, asbestos, cement, cardboard, various types of wall board and some plastics, also in the case of some materials, it is necessary to apply a primer before the adhesive.

With natural and synthetic glues used in veneering, heat and mechanical pressure is generally essential, and the time factor critical. Under the new process, however, both veneer and base may be kept after treatment in an open position for a considerable time before adhesion is effected.

In this respect the process, invented by Mr. G. W. Coe, of 124, Leigh Hall Road, Leigh-on-Sea, Essex, is very similar to the use of rubber latex for the dry-rolling of envelopes.

ically the whole country, but with the increased use of short waves for various communication purposes, the problem of obtaining a sufficient number of suitable frequency channels to provide a service over a densely populated country such as Great Britain is likely to be difficult.

The problem, would obviously be intensified if we had to fit in the much larger frequency bands which, as we have seen, are demanded by an increase in the number of lines.

There is again the necessity of distributing programmes over the country from a central studio or from outside broadcasts, by means of coaxial cables or wireless relay stations.

Suitable cables are expensive in any case, but the cost of cables with the frequency band necessary to do justice to a considerable increase in the line density, would today be prohibitive.

Other countries, of course, may not find these problems to be so acute as we do in Britain, and may, therefore, deem it desirable to start with a higher line density, and so from the outset have a wider margin for improvement. The British television industry has, however, no desire to induce potential overseas buyers to adopt our particular number of lines. Accordingly it has carried out research on other systems and is able to manufacture any type of equipment, irrespective of the technical type of service we now enjoy in Great Britain.

Low Cost

Whatever system is selected, however, it is important to remember that if television is to become a service for the many, receivers must be capable of being mass-produced at a low cost, and a balance must therefore be struck between three important factors: economy, great overall definition of the picture, and the number of available radio channels.

There is, however, one application of television for which a 405-line picture is not entirely adequate and that is television on screens of the size used in cinemas, where a picture comparable in quality with cine film projection is required.

Very successful research on theatre projection of this quality has been carried out in Great Britain and, in addition, great improvements have been made in the high intensity cathode-ray tubes required, and in the associated optical equipment. Since television in large halls may prove to be the best means of bringing the benefits of television within the reach of people of slender means, these outstanding results of British research will doubtless be of the greatest importance.

Whether used in the home or in the cinema, television must be regarded as a new form of creative art. While it has much in common with both the theatre and the cinema, its manner of presentation differs widely from that used in either.

The very stringent requirements of co-ordination and timing between actors, technicians and others taking part in a television broadcast, as well as the need for maintaining continuity with perhaps three or more cameras and as many sets, call for an entirely new studio technique. It is the programme which appears to the viewer as a co-ordinated whole.

It is the excellence of this technique, developed as a result of long experience, which can be truly claimed as one of the hallmarks of the British television service to cover pro-

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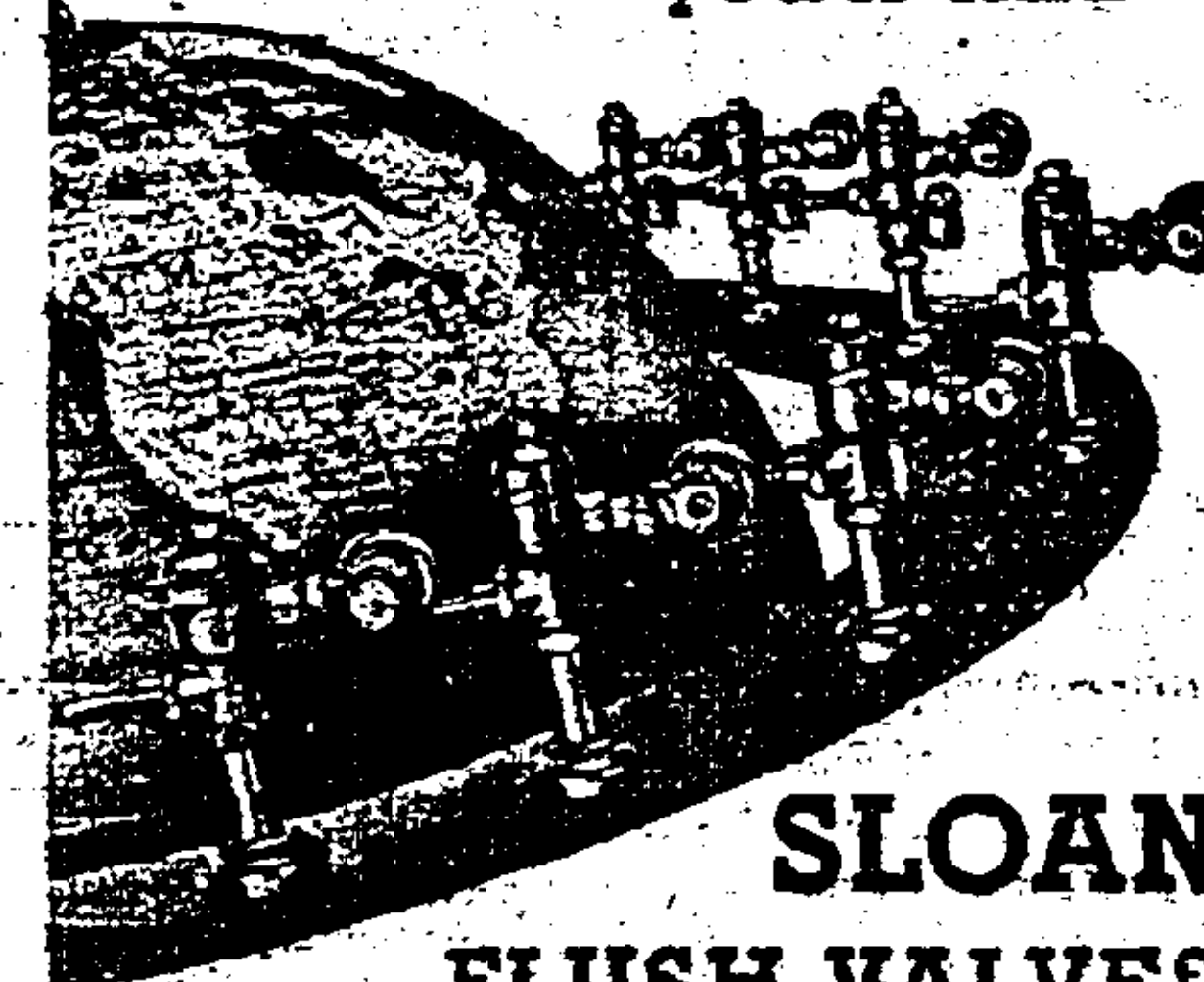
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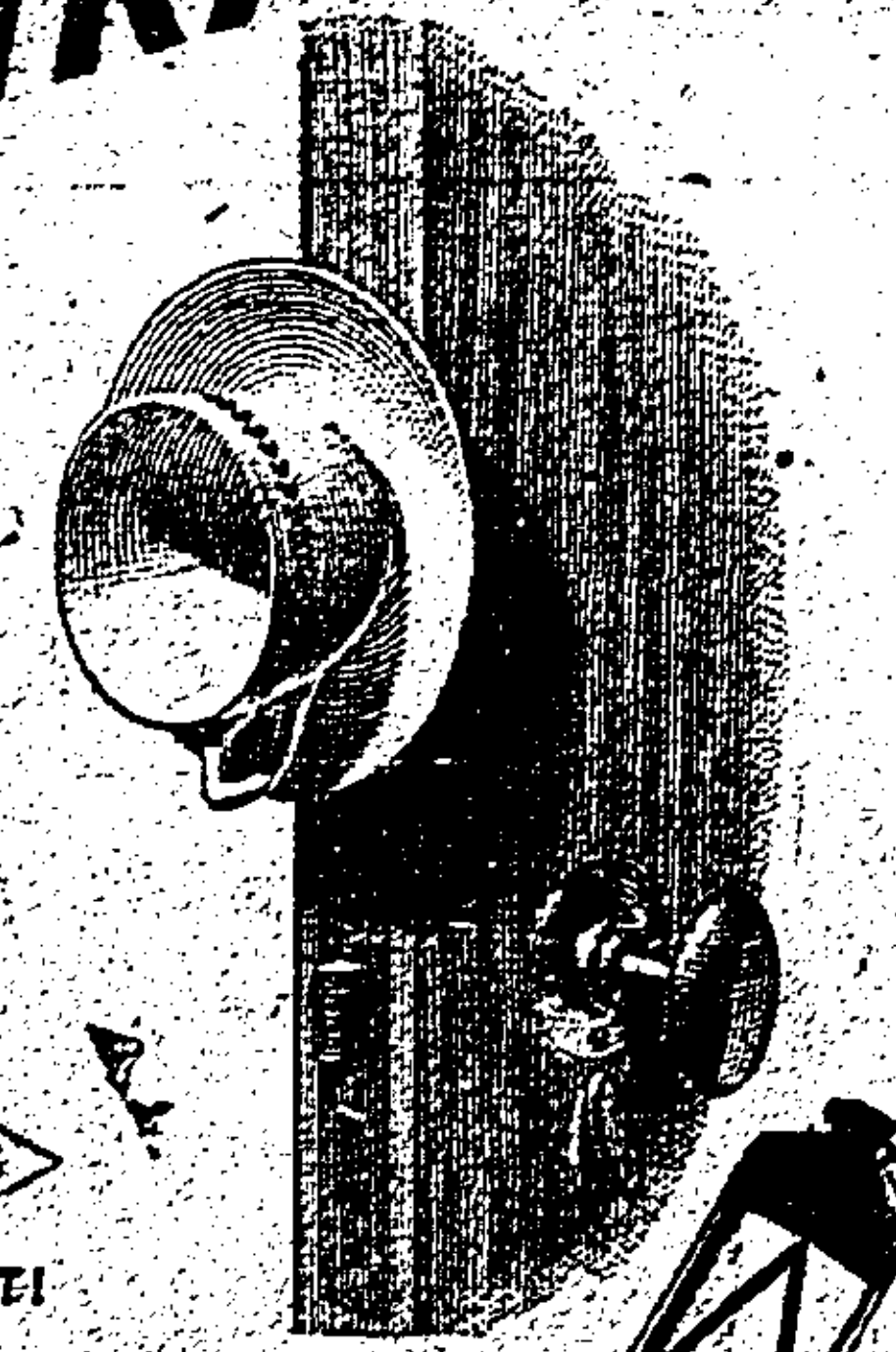
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Jersey Joe In Rome



The American heavyweight boxer, Jersey Joe Walcott, pictured beside a huge white marble statue of a boxer at the Rome Sports Stadium, during his current visit to Italy. The stadium was built during the Mussolini regime. Walcott donated five thousand dollars to a hospital in the village of Mosciano San Angelo, East of Rome, some two years ago. (Associated Press Photo)

Russians Showing Anti-British German Films

London, September 27. A Foreign Office spokesman alleged today that anti-American and anti-British films produced by Nazi propagandists during the war are being screened in the Soviet Union with Russian sound-tracks.

Russia To Return U.S. Vessels

Washington, September 27. Russia formally agreed today to return 30 American Naval vessels lent to them during the second world war.

The ships, to be returned on December 1, include three ice-breakers and 27 small patrol craft.

The United States has been trying to get them back for four years.

The agreement was signed at the State Department today. The ice-breakers will be returned to American Naval authorities in Bremerhaven.

The others will be delivered at Yokosuka, Japan. — Associated Press.

Four such films had no indication of their origin, but were quite obviously German, he said.

One anti-American film was called "Last Round" and dealt with boxing in the United States.

It tried to show that matches were being "rigged". Its original title was "Die Letzte Runde" and it was first shown in Vienna in 1940, the spokesman alleged.

He said that it betrayed its German origin at one point, when a close-up of the "New York Herald-Tribune" appears on the screen with German headlines.

Another film, "The Symbol of Hate", whose original German title was "Mein Leben fuer Irland", dealt with the British policy in Ireland.

It was first shown at the Capitol, Berlin, in February, 1941, the spokesman said.

Reports received by the Foreign Office stated that at one performance at a Moscow cinema every female member of the audience was in tears after seeing this film. — Reuter.

Communist Views On The Atom Bomb

Bucharest, September 27. The Russians' discovery of the atom bomb means an end of the policy of "atomic blackmail" by the West, a leading Rumanian Communist said today.

In an editorial in the Rumanian Communist organ, "Scinteia", Leonide Rautu, member of the Communist Central Committee, described the Soviet bomb explosion as "wresting" one of the dirtiest weapons from the hands of the American imperialists.

He emphasized that Communist parties throughout the world would use to the fullest extent the propaganda value of the announcement and "failure of the imperialist policy of atom blackmail. However painful it may be". — United Press.

America Should Get Out Of Japan

Batavia, September 27. Representative Walter R. Huber, Democrat of Ohio, Chairman of the United States Congressional Committee which arrived here on Monday, said, "Speaking for myself, I think we should move out of Japan."

He added, however, "But it is another thing whether the whole army should leave Japan."

Members of the Committee would not answer questions on the Indonesian issue, saying they had been too short a time in Indonesia to express any opinions.

To the questions of whether the Committee thought that United States money had been correctly spent in the Far East, a Committee member said: "We have first to analyze the information we have received."

Asked whether the Committee knew of American material having been used by the French in Indo-China and the Dutch in Indonesia against the Nationalists, a member said "It is news to us."

The Committee will fly today to the Republican capital of Jogjakarta. — Associated Press.

RUSSIAN PLANES OVER FINLAND

Helsinki, September 27. Two unidentified aircraft, believed to be Russian, flew over Northern Finland yesterday, disappearing in the direction of Sweden, the Air Ministry announced here today. — Reuter.

HATTA REPLIES TO CRITICS IN INDONESIA

The Hague, September 27. Dr. Mohammed Hatta, Indonesian Republican Premier and leader of the Republican delegation to the round-table conference on Indonesia, today expressed considerable displeasure at recent criticism about his policies at the conference by Party politicians in Indonesia.

Dr. Hatta gave his views at a private meeting this morning of the Republican delegation, at which he was understood to have made clear that he could only be recalled to Indonesia by President Soekarno.

Criticism of the Namur agreement reached 15 days ago in a recent conference of delegation members, was based on incorrect or insufficient information, and could only do harm to the whole conference, Dr. Hatta said.

(Nothing has been disclosed about these discussions, held in the Chateau de Namur, in Belgium, beyond an official statement that satisfactory progress was made in the work of the conference and that the respective delegations would be consulted on the results provisionally achieved.)

The Republican delegation here was believed to have been pleased with statements made yesterday in Indonesia by Mr. Sultan Spahy, personal adviser to President Soekarno, that discontent of political circles was mainly due to ignorance of what was happening.

Some of the Republican delegates felt that it would be wise to make a full statement on the Namur decisions as quickly as possible.

Valid Treaty

No statement has yet been issued giving details of the progress of the Netherlands-Indonesian Union talks.

But it was understood from a usually reliable source that

The Hague Talks

NO PROGRESS MADE IN NARROWING GAP

The Hague, September 27.

The Steering Committee of the round-table conference made no progress with the reports of the Financial and Economic Committee on the various issues involving the future economic and financial policy of the Indonesian State.

The Committee studied the report but did not make any effort to find reconciliation of the differing viewpoints of the Dutch and Indonesians.

The work of studying the differences in detail and evolving if possible a meeting ground for the two opposing parties has led to a working group of nine of the Financial and Economic Committee.

If the Working Committee is able to reconcile the views to any extent the Steering Committee may meet earlier than Friday to discuss the question.

Quarters close to the conference today suggested that a major effort at reconciliation of the two views may be made later in the week by a getting together of rounds at the top level.

Mr. Mohammed Rumi, in the Republican side, told Reuters today that a young country like his would never have any chance of building up its economy and raising the standard of living of the people without complete economic sovereignty.

"We appreciate the large element of interests of the Dutch in Indonesia and the close links between the two countries," he said. "But these do not justify guarantees and safeguards which would virtually leave us bound hand and foot in all vital economic matters."

On Basis Of Consultation

"We are prepared to co-operate with and respect Dutch interests. But on the basis of consultation, sovereignty, willing and voluntary on both sides for mutual benefit."

"Such co-operation can be on the basis of consultation, not on the basis of agreements which amount to a veto on national progress."

Mr. Rumi said that the Dutch had been traditionally accustomed to think in terms of hard and fast agreements in all matters and they could not now bring themselves to think in terms of good faith or allow conventions to grow up in inter-State relations, within the new Union.

He pointed to the example of the British Commonwealth, which was held together not so much by written agreements or guarantees but on conventions which had grown up over a number of years. He did not anticipate any difficulty in such conventions and sympathetic understanding developing between Holland and Indonesia in the course of time if

the new Union was in the spirit of Indonesian sovereignty.

"Goodwill is more than formal agreements," Mr. Rumi continued.

"Of course, this goodwill on the Dutch side has to be largely built up anew in Indonesia. This will require an entirely new outlook and complete change of psychology on the part of the Dutch."

"A nation of 10 millions, the Dutch will have a surplus of technical skill and talent which Indonesia will only be too glad to avail of."

"We look forward to an era of development in Indonesia in which the Dutch can play a very useful and important part. But this must not encroach on our sovereignty as a nation of seventy millions."

Queen's Position

The work of drafting an actual charter for the transfer of sovereignty has not started yet, it was learnt today from a usually reliable source.

Possibly, the formal drafting of the charter may not be embarked upon until agreements can be completed on the economic, financial, military, social and cultural fields.

It was reliably learnt today that the statute of the Union when completed can be registered with the United Nations Organisation under Article 102.

The word "international treaty" are not used in the present agreement, but since the Dutch have agreed to consider it as a document within the meaning of Article 102, it is interpreted by the Republicans as meaning that any member nation of the UNO can move for the registration of the Charter on behalf of Indonesia which is not at present a member, even if the Dutch do not propose to do so.

The Queen of Holland as the head of the Union has been recognised as effectuating the spirit of goodwill and free and lasting co-operation between the two countries.

It was a long way which the Dutch delegation had to travel from their conception of a Council of Ministers to consider common questions between the two States to the present "Conference" of Ministers and it is interpreted as a major concession on the part of the Dutch in order to avoid any idea of creating a "super-State".

The "Conference" of Ministers will have equal representation for the Dutch and Indonesian Governments. Points of dispute will be referred to a Court of Arbitration, again composed of an equal number of judges from both sides.

In case of deadlock in the Court among the judges, the International Court of Justice will be asked to nominate a judge with a casting vote.

It has been provided in the agreement that the judges of the Court of Arbitration will take an oath of impartiality and neutrality in matters of dispute on their respective religious books before the head of the Union.

Not Military Alliance

Inter-parliamentary "contact" has also been provided for in the agreement and the first contact is to take place within eight months of the transfer of sovereignty.

It is understood that these inter-parliamentary conferences will be limited to discussions and will not take any formal decisions of a binding nature. The head of the Union may open the formal conferences of this nature.

One aspect of the agreement, it was pointed out today, is the absence of any suggestion of a military alliance. A member of the Republican delegation told Reuters that on the other hand, "it was definitely made clear in oral exchanges between the Dutch and the Indonesian delegations that it was not a military alliance."

Whatever military co-operation there may be in future between the two countries might have to be worked out as a separate agreement between the two after transfer of sovereignty, the member said.

Another significant thing pointed out by a neutral observer today was the absence of a provision in the present agreement for the possible severing of the Union links at any later date.

In Republican circles, however, it was interpreted that the words "lasting co-operation" in the agreement would not curtail the sovereign powers of the new State in any way. — Reuter.

SEARCH FOR A BUYER

London, September 27. The British Government is trying to find a buyer for the gold cups, saucers and spoons, worth more than £3,000, which were confiscated following yesterday's prosecution of Daksingh Ranjau Banerjee, former general manager of the Taj Mahal Hotel, Bombay.

Fined £500 or three months' imprisonment for fraudulently attempting to avoid export restrictions, Banerjee insisted that he would pay the fine.

Six teaspoons and saucers, at £240 a cup and saucer, six coffee cups and saucers, a dozen silver forks, teaspoons, coffee spoons and other articles, all in 18 carat gold, were taken from the Court to the King's Warehouse in the City of London and locked up.

Banerjee, who had been liable to a maximum fine of £10,000 or two years' imprisonment, was released.

London newspapers commented that part of "the finest gold tea and dinner service ever made in Britain" was threatened with the melting pot "unless a way is found to get them to the man who ordered them—an Indian Maharajah."

At the Customs and Excise Department, however, Reuter was informed that an attempt would first be made to find a purchaser.

The disposal of this millionaires' tea set, which is unlikely to have its equal in Britain at the moment, is at the absolute discretion of the Commissioners of Customs and Excise.

While no decision has yet been made, the aim will be to sell the service as profitably as possible for the benefit of the Crown.

Enquiries will be made in high-class jewellery trade circles and the forfeited goods may be advertised. — Reuter.

Padre's Request To Beyin

Lake Success, September 27. The Reverend Michael Scott, who is campaigning here on behalf of the Herero-tribesmen of South West Africa against the incorporation of their territory by the South African Government, has requested Mr. Ernest Beyin, the Foreign Secretary, to give him the opportunity of discussing with him "one point of British policy at the United Nations."

"Like some other South Africans," Mr. Scott said in a letter to Mr. Beyin, "I feel strongly that the time has come for Britain to dissociate herself from the actions and policies of the present South African Government at the United Nations."

"There are many South Africans whose love for their country is not expressed in the form of a 'nationalism' which only inspires hatred or contempt for other sections."

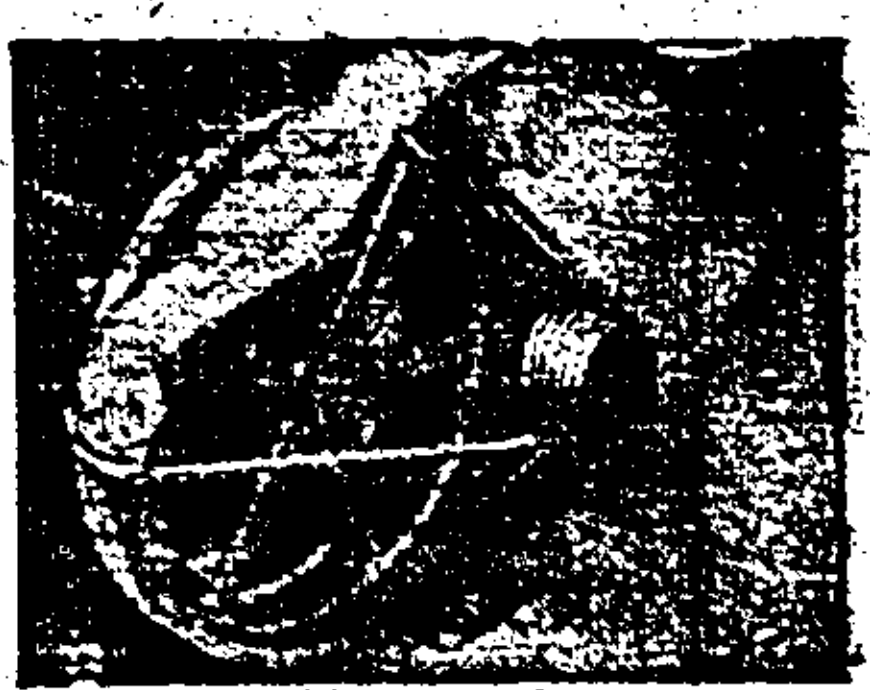
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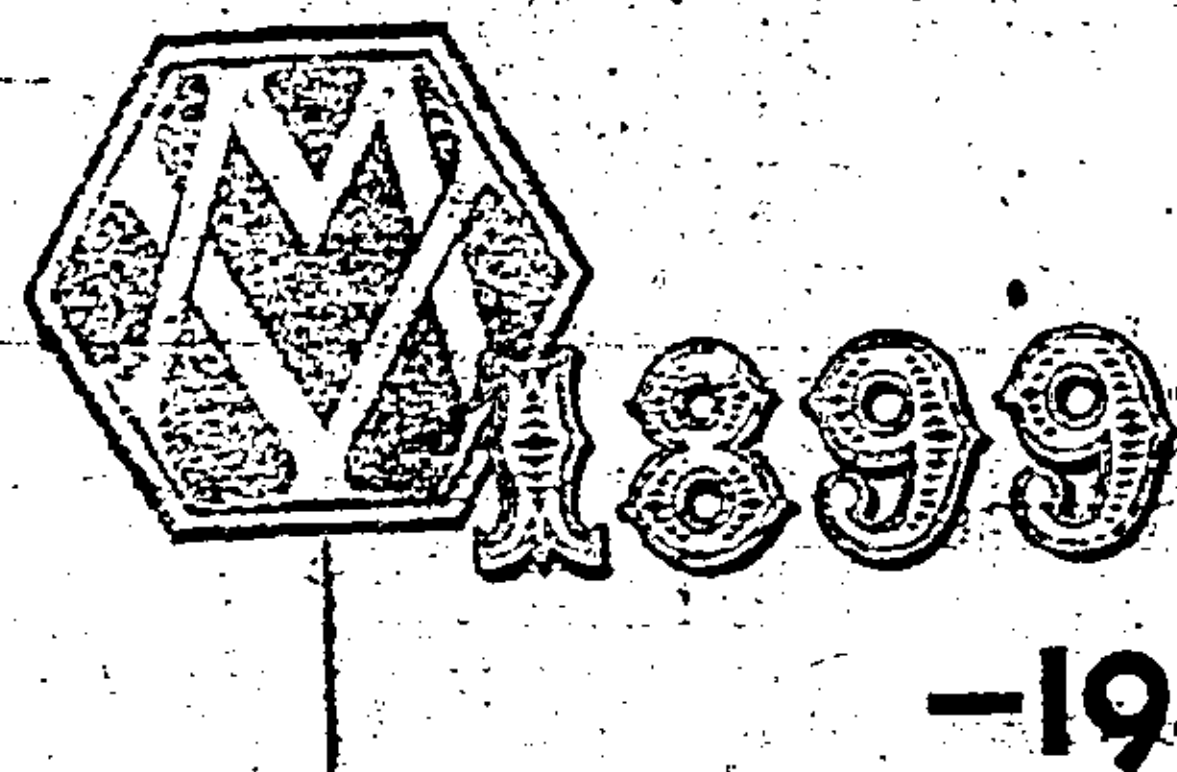


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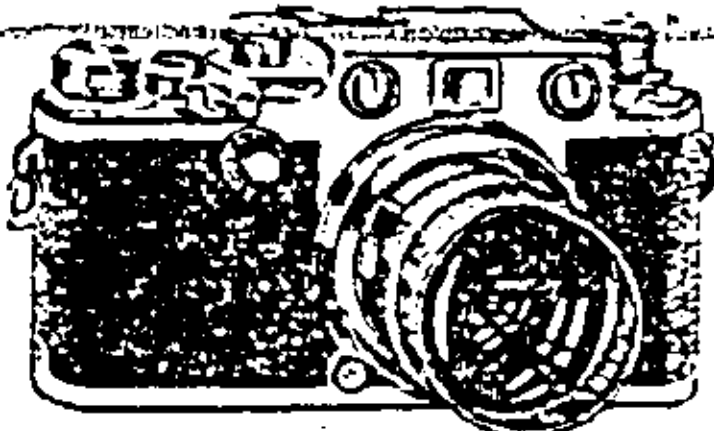
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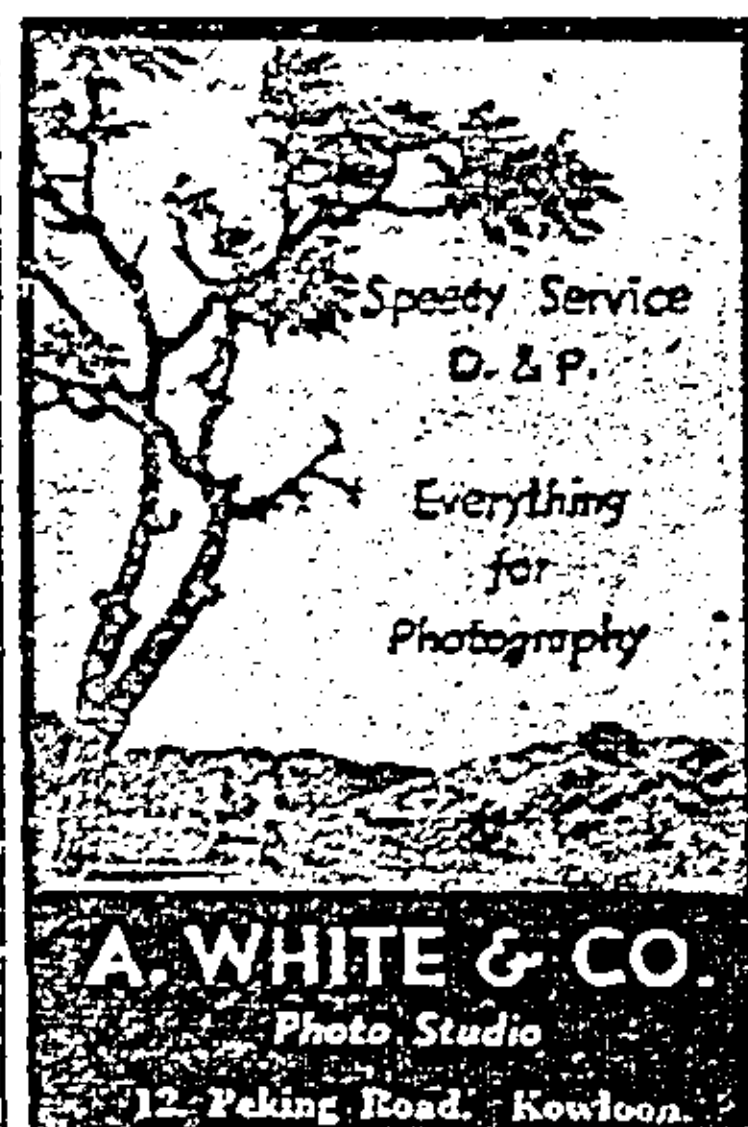
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AMERICA WILL BACK YUGOSLAV CANDIDATURE

Lake Success, September 27.

The United States has decided to support Yugoslavia as a candidate for a seat on the Security Council in opposition to Czechoslovakia, who has been sponsored by the Soviet Union. The United States delegation were much impressed by the speech made before the Assembly yesterday by Mr. Edward Kardelj, the Yugoslav Foreign Minister.

There was also a feeling that given the alternative of these two Communist States, Yugoslavia would be more likely to act independently on the Security Council than Czechoslovakia.

The United States delegation, it was stated, would not campaign on Yugoslavia's behalf or solicit votes.

The British delegation has not yet decided whether or not to support Yugoslavia.

It was also learned authoritatively that the United States will support India as a candidate for the Security Council in place of Canada, whose term is due to end this year.

The election of three new members of the Council will take place in the General Assembly probably not before the end of this week. It is generally felt that India will easily obtain the necessary two-thirds majority for election.

The Indian delegation expressed gratification at the news.

Middle East delegations said that with the possible exception of Syria, the Middle East group of seven votes would be cast for India. These delegations said that India might expect to get more than 40 votes out of the 59 members of the General Assembly.

Belgrade Action

Meanwhile, Yugoslavia tonight accused Hungary of violating its peace treaty with the Allies and also expelled nine members of the Hungarian Legation in Belgrade.

The expulsions were announced just 24 hours after the Hungarian government had ordered 40 officials and employees of the Yugoslav Legation in Budapest to leave the country. The Yugoslav action was in direct retaliation for the Hungarian decision to expel Yugoslav diplomats after accusing them of maintaining "spy nets" with the Americans and British.

Yugoslavia accused Hungary of violating the peace treaty by putting off its reparations payments. The treaty provided that Hungary should pay US\$100,000,000 to Yugoslavia and Czechoslovakia. The two decided later to divide it into \$70,000,000 for Yugoslavia and \$30,000,000 for Czechoslovakia.

At the same time, Marshal Tito charged that the Serbs were trying to disrupt Yugoslavia because of "envy."

Addressing a reunion of partisan fighters in the Serbian village of Stolica, Tito said: "The attacks against us arose from envy.... The future of Yugoslavia is being organized the whole campaign against Yugoslavia. Thus they destroyed all the tremendous achievements we succeeded in building after the war, in creating a brotherly union not only of the Balkans but of the East too."—Reuter and United Press.

KING'S COUSIN TO WED

London, September 27.
The Marquess of Milford Haven, Britain's "most eligible bachelor," is to marry Mrs. Romaine Dahlenberg Pierce Simpson, of Washington. It was announced here tonight.

The Marquess, salesman cousin of King George, recently visited the United States on a business trip for a British radiator firm. The wedding will take place in Washington, probably in November.

The announcement was made here tonight by a firm of publicity agents. The 30-year-old Marquis is a great grandson of Queen Victoria.

The future Marchioness, 29-year-old, dark-haired and attractive, is the divorced wife of Pierce Simpson, Executive of the Marshall Field Department store in Chicago.

She is a student of music and is fond of outdoor sports. She has been in London since the beginning of the month on her first visit to England.—Reuter.

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Yugoslav Note Of Protest

Belgrade, September 27.
The Yugoslav Minister in Budapest, M. Djuro Jovanovic, tonight presented a letter to the Ambassadors of the Soviet Union and Britain and the United States. Charge d'Affaires in Budapest, protesting against an Hungarian violation of the Peace Treaty. The letter called upon the United States, Britain and Russia, in accordance with Article 40 of the Peace Treaty, to consider Hungary's refusal since September, 1945, to pay reparations to Yugoslavia.

The letter said that since Hungary had refused to settle the dispute with Yugoslavia by negotiation, it must consider before the representatives of the three powers.—Reuter.

AUSSIE ATOM RESEARCH

Melbourne, September 27.
Australia's proposed atom-splitting equipment, to be dissected by Professor Marcus Oliphant, famous atomic scientist, will be built with the aid of a 123-ton mill from the Krupp munitions works in Germany.

The German mill will be used to build a proton accelerator for a 2,000-ton magnet for study of mesons, which hold together the nuclei of an atom.—United Press.

YUGOSLAVIA CHARGES RUSSIA BEFORE UN

Lake Success, September 27.

Yugoslavia renewed her charges against Russia in the United Nations today accusing the Soviet Union and Eastern Europe of conducting a campaign of false and slanderous information against Marshal Tito's Government.

M. Vladimir Dedijer, Director of the Yugoslav Information Office, told the United Nations Social Committee during a debate on a proposed convention for freedom of information that Russia's interference in Yugoslav domestic affairs was aimed at overthrowing the Government.

He appealed to the Committee not to "shelve" the proposed convention which Britain, the United States and the Netherlands want to scrap in favour of the inclusion of the principles in the United Nations Human Rights Convention.

M. Dedijer said that small nations needed the convention to save them from "intimidation."

Dedijer denounced the press and radio of Russia and her satellites and of the United States for disseminating alleged distortions of the truth and false information about Yugoslavia.

M. Dedijer said the Yugoslavs would not support the Anglo-American-Dutch proposal to take the problem of freedom of information out of the Social Committee and General Assembly and give it to the Commission on Human Rights. He said the press

and radio indulged in warmongering. "The role of the press in general is worse than ever before. The truth can be found less and less. Thus puts small nations such as Yugoslavia in a bad situation."

Trying To Forment Discord.

Attempting to illustrate instances of alleged falsehood, the Yugoslav representative injected a humorous note.

He said that recently a Yugoslav football team beat a Norwegian team. Radio Moscow, he added, told its listeners Czechoslovakia won.

He also said that a despatch in the Polish press said that the Yugoslav Minister without portfolio, Milovan Djilas, "saved himself from the terror of the Tito clique, and fled to the Bosnian

Mountains." But, M. Dedijer continued, "M. Djilas is at the moment in the next room meeting with the Third Committee."

He said Radio Moscow and other information organs of Russia and its satellites had repeatedly attempted to foment discord in Yugoslavia's domestic and foreign relations. For these reasons, the Yugoslav delegation had insisted on rejection of the Western proposal to defer the problem of freedom of information to the Commission of Human Rights and insisted on continuation of debate in the Social Committee, he added. M. Dedijer also said the convention should be retained on the agenda and the United Nations must work to stop misuse of news.

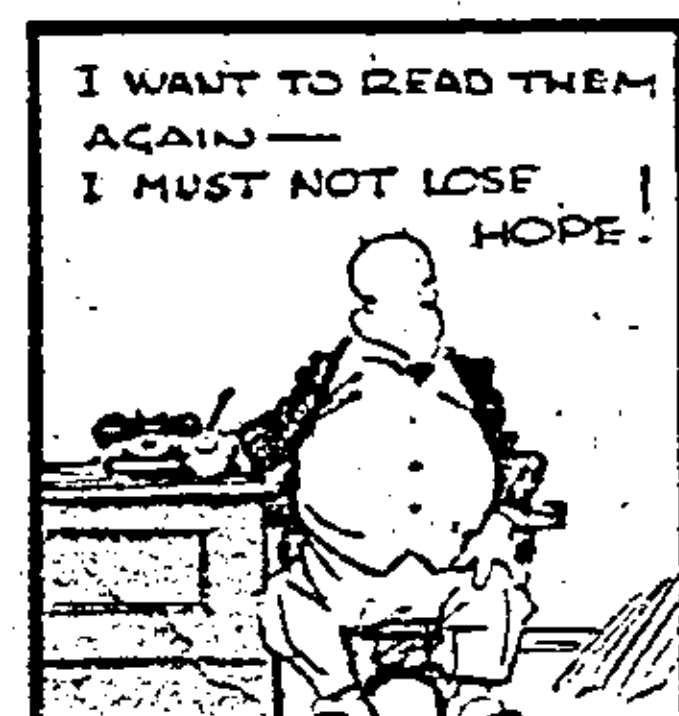
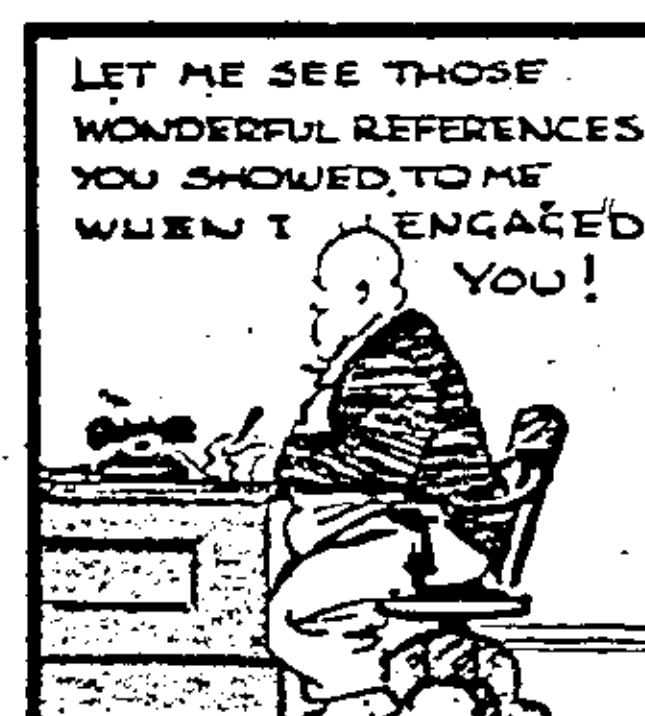
Tito Accuses

On Belgrade, Marshal Tito, the Yugoslav Premier, tonight accused the Soviet leaders of "rattling their arms around our borders" and alleged that they were "digging trenches" in Hungary and Rumania.

He charged that some Soviet leaders and heads of the People's Democracies were jealous of Yugoslavia's prestige and reputation.

The Marshal was speaking at Stolica, in Serbia, on the anniversary of the first meeting of the Yugoslav Military Committee to plan resistance in 1941.—Reuter and United Press.

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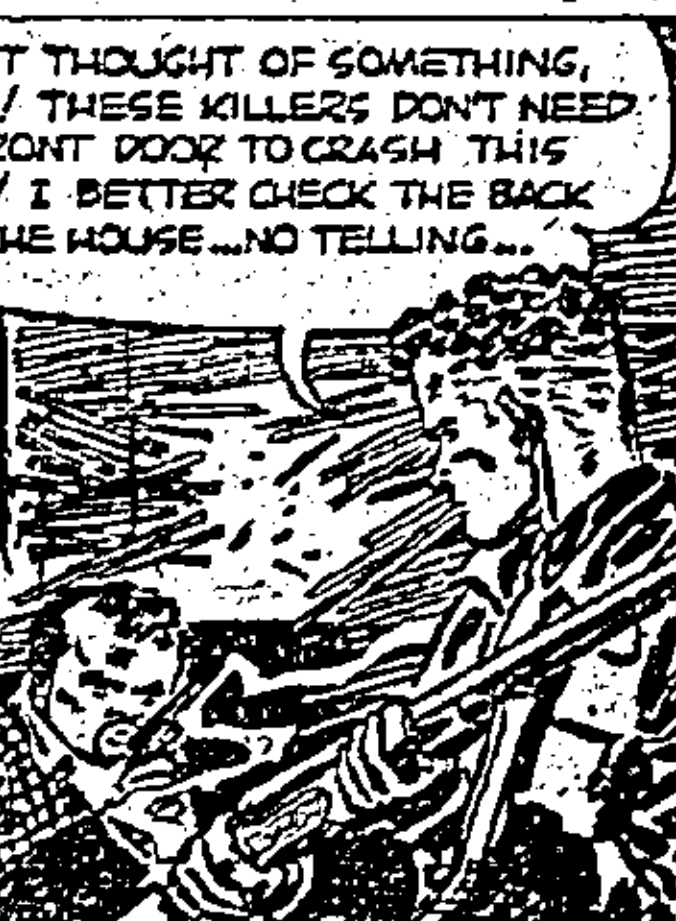
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"FENGTIEN"	Singapore, Macassar, Sourabaya, Samarang & Batavia	6th Oct.
"SHANSI"	Incheon & Pusan	5 p.m. 8th Oct.
"HANYANG"	Bangkok	5 p.m. 9th Oct.
"PAKHOT"	Yokohama, Nagoya, Osaka & Kobe	16th Oct.
"FOOCHOW"	Yokohama, Nagoya, Osaka & Kobe	18th Oct.

ARRIVALS FROM		
"SHENGKING"	Swatow	7 a.m. 1st Oct.
"FENGTIEN"	Kobe & Keelung	2/3rd Oct.
"FOYANG"	Swatow	3rd/4th Oct.
"SHANSI"	Incheon & Pusan	3rd/4th Oct.
"HANYANG"	Kobe	5th Oct.
"SZECHUEN"	Sibu & Brunei	1st week Oct.

RIVER SERVICE		
"FATSHAN"	Hongkong/Canton Dept. Hongkong	Midnight
"WUSUEH"	30th Sept. & 3rd Oct.	7 a.m. 1st Oct.
"WUSUEH"	Midnight 29th Sept. Hongkong/Macao Dept. Hongkong	4.45 p.m. Sunday

BLUE FUNNEL LINE		
"AGAPENOR"	Schedule Sailings to Europe via Aden, Port Said, Liverpool	9th Oct.
"AENEAS"	Genoa, Marseilles, Liverpool & Glasgow	26th Oct.
"AUTOMEDON"	N. Africa, Havre & Liverpool	9th Nov.
ARRIVALS FROM		
"AENEAS"	U.K. via Straits	1st Oct.
"AUTOMEDON"	"	11th Oct.
"DYMAS"	"	23rd Oct.
"CYCLOPS"	"	28th Oct.
"EURYMEDON"	"	6th Nov.

NEW YORK SERVICE		
"TELEMACHUS"	Arr. from U.S.A. via Manila	25th Oct.
Carriers option to proceed via other Ports to load & discharge cargo.		

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"TAIPING"	Manila, Sydney & Melbourne	14th Oct.
"CHANGTE"	Kure	16th Oct.
ARRIVALS FROM		
"TAIPING"	Sydney, Brisbane, Cairns & Manila	7th/8th Oct.
"CHANGTE"	Sydney, Brisbane & Cairns	12th Oct.
"YUNNAN"	New Zealand, Australia, Manila & Japan	3rd Nov.

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BRITAIN TO SUPPLY AMERICAN STOCKPILE

Spokane, September 27.

Miners To Press Wage Increase

Johannesburg, September 27. South African miners will stand by their demand for a 30 per cent wage increase in spite of the unfavourable findings of the Government Commission, which they regarded as out of date and academic, the miners' leader, Mr. D. E. Ellis, declared today.

Mr. Ellis, the General Secretary of the Mineworkers Union, said that the gold mining companies were going to make enormous profits as a result of devaluation, and therefore their demands for a 30 per cent increase were justified.

The Commission, which was appointed to enquire into the miners' demand for a 30 per cent increase, issued a report earlier today, advising against higher wages.

Commenting on the findings, Mr. Ellis said that the mining unions' Joint Committee would meet on Monday or Tuesday next week to try to draft a joint plan for action.—Reuter.

The United States has been urged to make heavy purchases of tin, rubber and other materials produced in the British orbit for its strategic stockpile.

This was stated here today by Major-General A.B. Quinton, acting Director of Industrial Programmes in the U.S. Munitions Board.

General Quinton explained that this was proposed so that the British in turn might buy more manufactured goods from the U.S. and thereby strengthen America's own manufacturing industries. Similar efforts had been made by U.S. producers, particularly in the mine industry, to obtain contracts for the purchase of their output, he said.

"It has been our firm policy, and one that we want to maintain, to conduct a stockpile for its primary purpose and not to 'divert' it to other purposes," he said, "commented General Quinton."

"We are stockpiling materials for national security. If stockpiles should prove helpful to other national purposes, that is well enough. But the tail should not wag the dog."

Congress has authorised the Munitions Board to stockpile materials of which only eight are produced in the U.S. to any great extent and only 27 are produced here at all.

Three Billions

When completed, the stockpile will cost about US\$3,000,000,000, according to General Quinton.

The inventory as of last June was about \$1,000,000 worth, he said.

"Stockpiling is not the only way to strengthen the strategic materials position of the United States. It is one of the most remarkable achievements in recent history was the fact that Germany, an inland empire without adequate copper, petroleum, nickel, tin and rubber, was able to wage war against three powerful industrial countries and to sustain this war for six years."—United Press.

TEMPESTS ON WAY TO INDIA

Nicosia, September 27. Five Tempest fighters bearing the Indian insignia landed here this afternoon for refuelling, and will take off tomorrow on the next leg of their journey to Ceylon, where they are to be delivered to the Indian Government. They are a total of some 80 Tempest fighters understood to have been sold to the Indian Government.

The last one of 24 Tempests bought by the Pakistan Government, also landed at Nicosia today, and takes off tomorrow for Karachi.

In addition to the Tempests, Pakistan has bought 60 Fury fighters, some of which have already been delivered.—Reuter.

ITALIAN ARMY

Rome, September 27. Italy is to increase her Army to full Treaty strength and start building a new fleet on January 1, the Defence Minister, Signor Rinaldo Ossola, announced tonight.

Signor Ossola told the Chamber of Deputies that the fleet would include cruisers, destroyers and smaller craft, and that Italy is planning to buy the latest type of jet fighters to modernise her Air Force.

He said that the Army would go up to the limit of 520,000 men—including soldiers and armed police—allowed under the Peace Treaty.

The number of infantry divisions would be increased from eight to 12, some of which will be armoured.—Reuter.

COST OF LIVING IN CANTON RISES

Canton, September 27. The cost of living in Canton, whose economy is largely influenced by the Hong Kong dollar, has risen approximately five per cent since Sir Stafford Cripps announced the devaluation of Sterling on September 18.

The price of rice, which is South China's staple diet, has gone up four per cent. In the open market, silver and silver-backed notes have appreciated 10 per cent and gold bars 12 per cent.—Reuter.

AUSTRIAN TRADE

Vienna, September 27. Austria's trade with Hungary will be doubled by the new \$20,000,000 agreement which was signed in Budapest on September 13, the Foreign Minister, Dr. Karl Gruber, told the Austrian Cabinet today.

Austria's exports to Hungary will include iron and steel products, timber and ball bearings. Imports from Hungary will include wheat, rice, cattle, poultry, fruit and vegetables, and metal tubes.—Reuter.

Money order remittances to India have been suspended with immediate effect, the Director of Burma's Postal Department announced today. The suspension gave no reason for the suspension.—Reuter.

Polio Spread By Human Contact

Adelaide, September 27. Poliovirus is spread by human contact, Dr. F. R. Hone of the Adelaide University Faculty of Medicine said in reporting a study of the infantile paralysis epidemic in Southern Australia last year.

Dr. Hone said the findings of his committee supported the theory that "abortive" cases, where the victim developed no paralysis and was not seriously ill, were often a source of infection.

His committee found no evidence of infection caused by flies, sewage or animals.—United Press.

Firmness On Wool Market

Sydney, September 27. Under good British and continental competition, supported to some extent by Australian mills, wool values ruled very firm on the Sydney market today.

In Melbourne, widespread and buoyant competition kept values for all classes of wool firm at recent rates, any change being in the seller's favour.

Merinos maintained the five per cent rise recorded at Monday's auctions and crossbreds and comebacks were fully firm on prices ruling in Melbourne and other Australian centres this week and during the past fortnight.

The effect of the devaluation of the Pound on American buying was shown by the keenness of United States buyers to purchase any free good style spinner's wools. They bought in bigger quantities than at previous Melbourne series.—Associated Press.

HOFFMAN ILL

Washington, September 27. Paul Hoffman, Economic Cooperation Administration chief returned to his office today after an overnight stay in hospital. His visit to hospital was described as purely precautionary following a recent gall bladder attack.

A spokesman said Mr. Hoffman plans an overseas inspection of E.C.A. operations next month.—Associated Press.

POST OFFICE MAIL NOTICE

Outward Mails
OUTWARD SEA MAIL TO U.K.
A surface mail to United Kingdom via Port of Spain "Canton" will be closed as follows:

GP0:
Parcel 5 p.m. September 29.
Reg. 9 a.m. September 30.
Ord. 9.20 a.m. September 30.
Kowloon CPO:
Parcel 5 p.m. September 29.
Reg. 9.20 a.m. September 30.
Ord. 9 a.m. September 30.

This mail is expected to arrive at London on or about October 1, 1949. Unregistered correspondence only for Shanghai, Tientsin and North China can be accepted at western rates and will be forwarded at opportunity of ship.

Unless otherwise stated, Registered Articles and Parcel Posts close 30 minutes earlier than the ordinary mail. If mails close before 10 a.m. Registered and Parcel Posts close at 5 p.m. on the previous day.

Mails are closed at Kowloon Central Post Office half an hour earlier than the CPO closing times.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 29
Closing Times by Air
Airmail for Saigon, (Reg.) 11 a.m. (Ord.) 11.30 a.m.
Airmail for Canada and USA, (Reg.) 11.30 a.m. (Ord.) Noon.
Airmail for Taipei: Airmail for Hong Kong, Airmail for Kowloon, (Reg.) 3 p.m. (Ord.) 3.30 p.m.
Airmail for Rangoon, Calcutta, Karachi, Baku, Cairo (Nairobi), Mombasa, Dar-es-Salaam, Mauritius and Johannesburg via Cairo, Rome and London, Kowloon CPO: (Reg.) 4 p.m. (Ord.) 4.30 p.m. CPO: (Reg.) 4.20 p.m. (Ord.) 4.50 p.m.
Airmail for Bangkok, Singapore, Aden and Colombo, (Reg.) 4.30 p.m. (Ord.) 5 p.m.
Airmail for Lahore, Sydney and Auckland, (Reg.) 4.30 p.m. (Ord.) 5 p.m.

Closing Times by Sea
Manila, 2 p.m.
USA, Canada, Central and South America via San Francisco (No Parcel for Canada), (Par. and Reg.) 11.30 a.m. (Ord.) Noon.
Seigon, 1 p.m.
Parcel only for Canada via Vancouver, B.C.P. 2 p.m.
Teatime, 4 p.m.
Swatow, 4 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, Madagascar, Mauritius, Bombay, Aden, Egypt and Europe via London, (Par.) 5 p.m. (Reg.) 9 a.m. 20/9, (Ord.) 9.30 a.m. 20/9.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 30
Closing Times by Air
Airmail for Swatow, (Reg.) 9 a.m. (Ord.) 9.30 a.m.
Airmail for USA and Canada, (Reg.) 1.30 p.m. (Ord.) 2 p.m.
Airmail for Swatow, (Reg.) 3 p.m. (Ord.) 3.30 p.m.
Airmail for Taipei: Airmail for Hong Kong and Chongqing, (Reg.) 3 p.m. (Ord.) 3.30 p.m.
Airmail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, USA and Canada, (Reg.) 4.20 p.m. (Ord.) 5 p.m.
Airmail for Rangoon, Calcutta, Karachi, Baku, Cairo (Nairobi), Mombasa, Dar-es-Salaam, Mauritius and Johannesburg via Cairo, Rome and London, Kowloon CPO: 4.30 p.m. (GPO) 5 p.m.
Ordinary Airmail (printed matters, samples and small parcel posts) for Manila, Guam, Honolulu and USA, (Kowloon CPO) 4.30 p.m. (GPO) 5 p.m.
Airmail for Singapore, Hongkong, Bombay, Aden, Egypt and Europe via London, (Par.) 5 p.m. (Reg.) 9 a.m. 20/9, (Ord.) 9.30 a.m. 20/9.

Closing Times by Sea
Japan, 9 a.m.
Formosa via Keelung, 10 a.m.
Swatow, 10 a.m.
Rangoon and Calcutta, 9 p.m.

Jewish Plan For Holy City

Flushing, September 27. A Jewish representative to the United Nations, said the General Assembly that the problem of the disposition of Jerusalem could be solved by giving Israel control over the city and allowing the new state to supervise safeguarding of holy places in collaboration with the United Nations.

He quoted the Israeli President, Chaim Weizmann, who said in a speech earlier this year: "We pledge ourselves to ensure full security for religious institutions."

Earlier, Lebanon's Charles Malik accused Israel of "disinclination" to abide by the agreement made between the Arabs and Israel at the Lausanne conference as to the basis for continuing these discussions. He said the Arab peoples feel that there is a "world conspiracy" of Jewish powers and the Jews against them. This sense of deep injustice must be removed. Economic aid is not enough. The Arab peoples must be lifted out of this deep sense of loneliness.

Malik said that Lebanon will insist that any Jerusalem settlement discussed by the United Nations include provisions for "complete internationalisation of that city."

Limitation of international control to the religious centre would not be compatible with previous recommendations of the Assembly.

The settlement must also insure against Jerusalem ever again becoming a battlefield. "The city of peace is now occupied by forces of two sovereign powers who were recently at war and may be at war again in the near future. It must be removed completely from the jurisdiction of both these powers."—United Press.

Paying For American Oil

Washington, September 27. Eugene Holman, President of the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey, said here today that some countries are able and willing to pay for American oil in Sterling which the American companies will be willing to accept if they are able to put these funds to use.

Britain would not suffer any great drain if American oil companies are permitted to operate in Sterling, he added.

Mr. Holman told a Congressional Committee that foreign currency controls and nationalism were discouraging private American investment abroad.—Reuter.

INDIA TO GET A BIG LOAN

Washington, September 27. Informal sources said today that India will sign an agreement on Thursday for a World Bank loan of almost \$11,000,000 to be used in buying equipment for improving India's agricultural production.

The sources said India originally asked for \$14,000,000 but that some of the equipment needed would be purchased immediately in the United Kingdom for sterling so the dollar loan was reduced.

The loan will be used to buy equipment to plow deep enough to destroy weeds which renders unprofitable at present some sections of the United Provinces and will also be employed to reclaim some virgin jungle territory in Northern India which would then be used for cultivation.—United Press.

INDIA IMPROVES HER POSITION

London, September 27. In spite of all that had happened since 1947, India had considerably improved her position in the diplomatic sphere, Mr. A. D. Mani, editor of the "Hindustan" of Nagpur, said here today.

"Indeed," he said, "India is considered in London today as the most important Dominion in the Commonwealth. This is due to a recognition by Britain that India is the greatest power in Asia and the bulwark of the democratic forces."

"The personality of Pandit Nehru has played no small part in cementing the ties between Britain and India. There is much greater friendliness in Britain towards India than in 1947."—Reuter.

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a.s. "CANTON"	17th November	19th December

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a.s. "CANTON"	18th Sept. (5 p.m.)	31st October
a.s. "CANTON"	13th October	28th November
a.s. "CANTON"	21st November	23rd December
a.s. "CANTON"	22nd December	23rd January
a.s. "CANTON"	27th January	26th February

OUTWARDS	DUE HONGKONG	FROM
a.s. "CANTON"	In Port	London & Continent
a.s. "CANTON"	20th October	via Genoa & Straits
a.s. "CANTON"	24th November	"

HOMEWARDS	LEAVES HONGKONG	FOR
a.s. "CANTON"	25th October	Straits, Colombo, Bombay, Genoa, Marseilles, London, Hamburg, Antwerp & Rotterdam
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a.s. "SANGOLA"	sails 1st Oct.	for Calcutta via Straits
a.s. "SANGOLA"	due 7th Oct.	from Japan
a.s. "SANGOLA"	sails 8th Oct.	for Calcutta via Straits
a.s. "SANGOLA"	due 10th Oct.	from Calcutta via Straits
a.s. "SANGOLA"	sails 12th Oct.	for Japan

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a.s. "PUNDIA"	due 6th Oct.	from Japan
a.s. "PUNDIA"	sails 8th Oct.	for Straits, Madras, Bombay & Persian Gulf
a.s. "PUNDIA"	due 4th Oct.	from Persian Gulf via Singapore
a.s. "PUNDIA"	sails 7th Oct.	for Japan

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"TITJALENGRA" 1st Oct.	30th Sept.
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MANILA

SAILINGS	ARRIVALS
"STRAAT MALAKKA" 7th Oct.	
"BOISSEYAN" 5th Nov.	
"STRAAT SOENDA" 30th Nov.	18th Oct.
"TEGELBERG" 28th Dec.	16th Nov.

SINGAPORE, PENANG and BELAWAN DELI

SAILINGS	ARRIVALS
"VAN RIEMSDIJK" 3rd Oct.	
"VAN RIEMSDIJK" 18th Oct.	13th Oct.

EAST & SOUTH AFRICA & SOUTH AMERICA

SAILINGS	ARRIVALS
"STRAAT MALAKKA" 7th Oct.	
"BOISSEYAN" 5th Nov.	
"STRAAT SOENDA" 30th Nov.	18th Oct.
"TEGELBERG" 28th Dec.	16th Nov.

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SAILINGS	ARRIVALS
"STRAAT MALAKKA" 29th Sept.	5th Oct.
"BOISSEYAN" 11th Oct.	11th Oct.
"STRAAT SOENDA" 20th Oct.	31st Oct.
"TEGELBERG" 20th Nov.	2nd Dec.

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SAILINGS	ARRIVALS
"MARIEKERR" 3rd Oct.	Early Oct.
"MOLENKERR" End Oct.	

Transhipment cargo accepted on through B's/L to India,
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JAPAN

SAILINGS	ARRIVALS
"MARIEKERR" 3rd Oct.	2nd Oct.
"MOLENKERR" End Oct.	End Oct.

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BAGGAGE: ALL passengers baggage must be sent to the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf Co.'s Godown at NO. 2, LATE, CANTON ROAD ENTRANCE by 4 P.M. on THURSDAY, the 28th SEPTEMBER.

SPECIAL NOTE: With the exception of hand baggage carried by passengers themselves ALL BAGGAGE must pass through the Wharf Co.'s Godown for loading on board by ship's slings only.

EMBARKATION: Will take place between 2 P.M. and 4 P.M. on FRIDAY the 30th SEPTEMBER.

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FINANCE AND COMMERCE

SAFEGUARD FOR U.S. INVESTORS ABROAD

Washington, September 27.

America proposes intensifying efforts to secure treaties giving greater confidence to her investors in under-developed countries, the Acting Secretary of State, Mr. James E. Webb, disclosed here today.

The treaties would seek assurances of non-discriminatory, reasonable, fair and equitable treatment for American investors, no less favourable than those accorded nationals of other countries.

H.K. Stock Exchange

An insignificant turnover but of a selective nature.

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5 1/2% Loan (1948) 100.

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Union Ins. 6 1/2.
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Rash Mines 8 1/2.
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H. & S. Hotels 10 1/2.
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H.K. Electric 24 1/2, 25 1/2.
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Sardakia Lights 5 1/2.
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Shanghai Gas 2 1/2.

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Cald. Mac. (Ord.) 25 1/2.
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H.K. Ropes 12 1/2.

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Dairy Farm 2 1/2.
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L. Crawford 17 1/2.
Sincere 4 1/2.

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China Entertainment 1 1/2.
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Rajah Rubber 3 1/2.

Rubber Trust 3 1/2.
Samsang Rubber 3 1/2.
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Samsang Rubber 3 1/2.

Shanghai Kefah 1 1/2.
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Shanghai Kefah 1 1/2.

Sinai 1 1/2.
Tanah Merah 1 1/2.
Tobacco Rubbers 1 1/2.
Zangke Rubber 1 1/2.

NY COTTON

New York, September 28.
Cotton was irregular, closing
five to 80 lower.
October 29.80-83
December 29.83-84
March 29.85
May 29.85
July 29.83 bid
Middling spot 30.70 nominal

NY RUBBER

New York, September 28.
Rubber closed four to 20 lower
with sales of 117 contracts.
September 16.00 bid
October 16.10
December 16.10-98
March 16.10-98
Ribbed sheets 17 nominal—As-

Talks in Paris On Mark Devaluation

Paris, September 27.

In a three-hour discussion today, French Cabinet Ministers considered the problems of the Deutsche Mark devaluation following yesterday's visit to Paris of Mr. John C. McCloy, United States High Commissioner in Germany.

Apart from talks with the French Premier and the Finance Minister, Mr. McCloy also talked at the French Foreign Office with Mr. Alexandre Parodi, Director of Economic Affairs.

M. Parodi and Mr. McCloy were both called in for consultation by the Ministers at today's meeting. Fixing a new exchange rate for the Deutsche Mark is a vital matter for the French industry. If the Deutsche Mark should be devalued from US\$3.33 to \$2.20, French prices would scarcely be able to meet German competition on the world markets. "A rate below 25 or 26 cents would enable Germany to carry out a real dumping policy," a representative of the French engineering industry said today.

Deadlock In Talks On German Mark

Bonn, September 27.

Discussions by the Allied High Commissioners for Germany on the proposed devaluation of the West German Mark tonight ended with the Commissioners facing a complete deadlock.

Mr. James W. Riddleberger, Political Adviser to the United States High Commissioner, Mr. John J. McCloy, was sent to inform the Federal Chancellor, Dr. Konrad Adenauer, of the impasse, which had been reached.

The stumbling block in the discussions was the French attitude. Before agreeing to devaluation of the Mark, by 25 per cent, the French Government has sought to impose certain conditions on the German economic policy.

These conditions were understood to refer to the pricing of German coke for home consumption and export. The French complained that the rates put French steel consumption at a disadvantage compared with the German output—Reuters.

Schilling To Be Devalued

Vienna, September 27.

The Austrian Government is determined not to devalue the Schilling until after the national elections on October 9, informed sources said today.

They added that devaluation in the near future is inevitable. The Minister of Finance, Herr Georg Zimmermann, reported to the Austrian Cabinet today on his recent financial talks in Washington.

A brief communique said only that the Cabinet accepted the report.

It is believed here that Austrian trade with other European countries will virtually stop if the Government does not bring the Schilling into line with other devalued currencies.

The pegged rate of the Schilling is 10 to the dollar and 28 to the Pound. On the free market, however, the dollar is worth 20 Schillings. There has been little free market trading in Pound Sterling since the Pound was devalued.

The Government is postponing the move until after the election for fear that the Communists and left wing Socialists would make capital of such a move—Associated Press.

Cotton Export Period Extended

Karachi, September 27.

The Pakistan Ministry of Commerce announced today that the Government has decided to extend the time period within which cotton can be exported to any destination without quantitative limit until December 31, 1949.

It is believed that the liberalisation of the export of cotton is necessitated owing to the Indian cotton manufacturers' decision not to purchase Pakistan cotton after her decision not to devalue her currency.

The Government's policy on late export is likely to be known soon—Associated Press.

LONDON STOCKS

London, September 28.

Stock prices were depressed on Tuesday by fears that Labour Members of Parliament would press for further limitations on dividends and profits. Many small losses were shown by industrial shares. Some Government bonds were firm on a small but persistent demand. Gold shares were irregular. After the market closed, Sir Stafford Cripps, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, told the House of Commons the dividend tax was being increased from 25 to 30 per cent immediately. "Financial Times" Index: 105, off point five—Associated Press.

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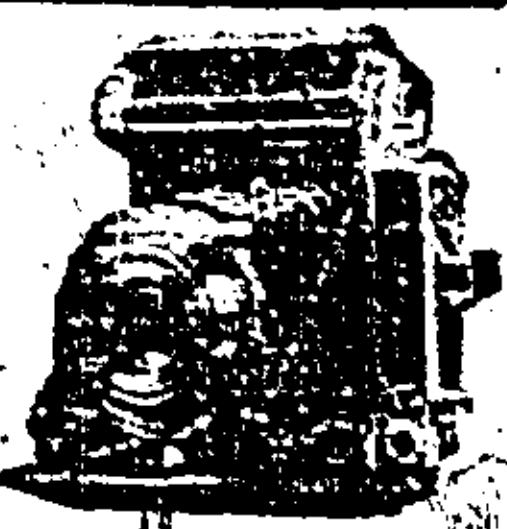
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SOCCER SEASON OPENS;
RAF CAUSE SURPRISE

(By "ROVER")

The curtain went up on the 1949/1950 soccer season yesterday, when five games in the Second Division of the Hong Kong Football League were played.

The opening games in the First Division of the League will not be played until Saturday, October 1, and as a result, certain Clubs which were evidently anxious to start the season well by garnering two points, fielded First Division players.

While this is permissible under the Rules of the Hong Kong Football Association as they now stand, there can be no denying the fact that those Clubs which took advantage of the situation definitely showed a poor sense of sportsmanship.

RAF, who were making their debut in the Second Division yesterday, caused the biggest surprise of the afternoon when they beat Royal Navy at Causeway Bay by three clear goals.

The Newspaper Vendors, who were also making their debut in the Second Division, made an auspicious start by defeating St. Joseph's on the Club Ground at Happy Valley by eight goals to one.

The Newspaper Vendors possess a bunch of versatile players and there is every indication that they will develop into a very formidable unit as the season progresses.

POC Beaten

The Prison Officers, who are also newcomers to the Second Division, were somewhat unfortunate to be pitted against Army in their opening game.

This game, which was played at Sookumpoo, resulted in a win for the Army, by five goals to two. Considering the strength of the opposition, it must be said that the Prison Officers did exceedingly well. More should be heard of this team before the season is very old.

At Boundary Street, Chinese Amateur Athletic had a regular field day against the Royal Navy. The Police, whom they beat by 13 goals to nil.

Solicitors, who did so well in the Stanley Shield Competition, went down to a heavy 8-3 defeat at the hands of a strong South China combination at Caroline Hill.

Of the four games down for decision today, the Dockyard versus Police match on the Navy Ground at Causeway Bay and the Tai Koo-PCA encounter on the St. Joseph's Ground at Happy Valley should be well worth watching.

The following is today's programme:

Kit Chee v University, Club, 5.30 p.m.; Referee: A. Leck.
Dockyard v Police, Navy, 5.30 p.m.; Referee: J. W. West.
Eastern v Club, Caroline Hill, 5.30 p.m.; Referee: P. Monson.
Tai Koo v PCA, St. Joseph's, 5.30 p.m.; Referee: P. O. Leonard.

Today's Games

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Saturday, October 1

FIRST DIVISION

Navy v Army, Navy, 5 p.m.; Referee: W. Gaffney; Linesmen: H. Richardson and Chan Tak Fai.
Commando v Police, Sookumpoo, 5 p.m.; Referee: J. G. Padley; Linesmen: A. Leck and Li Bing Tong.

Club v Kit Chee, Club, 5 p.m.; Referee: P. J. Cross; Linesmen: A. Ribeiro and J. H. Gargette.
PCA v Navy, Navy, 5.30 p.m.; Referee: H. Richardson.
Club v Tai Koo, Club, 5.30 p.m.; Referee: A. Ribeiro.

University v South China, Caroline Hill, 8.30 p.m.; Referee: Lai Duen-Po.

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RESULTS AT A GLANCE

SECOND DIVISION

Royal Navy	0	RAF	3
Newspapers	8	St. Joseph's	1
Army	5	Prison Officers	2
Chinese AA	13	RNVP	0
S. China	8	Solicitors	3

Jap Bowlers Ousted From A Seattle League

Seattle, September 27. A bowling team of American-born Japanese players was today ousted from a Seattle League by order of the American Bowling Congress, which insisted on an enforcement of its racial ban.

The order from the Congress Executive Office in Chicago said: "American Bowling Congress membership is available only to white males. A League which permits this unauthorised practice runs into the risk of inviting problems which cannot be satisfactorily adjusted."

The team competed in the Bowling Association and all its members are permanent employees of the Boeing Aircraft Company. They declined to make an issue of the case, but the Association's President, Mr. Jack Bunker, said that it was likely that members of his organization would find the ban against fellow employees a "reuter."

OLYMPIC CHAMP GAINS EASY WIN

Brussels, September 27. Gaston Reiff, of Belgium, 5,000 metres Olympic champion, tonight gained an easy victory in the 1,500 metres event in an international track meeting held under floodlights.

Reiff romped home an easy winner in 3 minutes 45.8 seconds, which was two seconds better than the Olympic record set up by Jack Lovelock in 1936 but was outside the world record for the distance.—Reuter.

This Is How A League Player Keeps Fit

(By BILLY STEEL)

Look on training as a series of exercises designed to get you, and keep you, 100 per cent fit.

To all those young, ambitious footballers who wish to know how they should train, let me give the week's training programme of a League player.

The club's trainer has his routine for each day of the week. Generally, he wants hard work done in the early part of the week, and a gradual easing up on Wednesday or Thursday. On Friday, the training programme, which is split up to make it as interesting as possible. A wise trainer likes his lads to be interested in their work.

Monday is often a free day—the day on which many footballers play golf. There are some "tiger" golfers among footballers, for instance Tom Pearson, of Aberdeen, who was previously with Newcastle.

Tuesday is when the week's work really starts, and boots are put on for a practice match and a kick-about. Players try all those silly little dodges they dare not risk in a match. The manager probably stands on the touch-line, and if he is of the sergeant-major type he really lets his hair down.

The goalkeeper has already been through the mill, as before the practice match the other players are drilled in shooting. The man in goal has a pretty tough time of it, with over a dozen players kicking six or seven balls at him.

After bringing off a save a goalkeeper must have eyes everywhere to miss a cannon-ball shot on the ear.

Try This One

Wednesday is spent in lapping the field, sprinting, taking part in games, and exercises. When sprinting do so from a standing start. You will find this practice invaluable in the real match. Next sprint fast for a few yards, slow down, then accelerate. Lastly, sprint zig-zag fashion, imagining there is a ball at your feet.

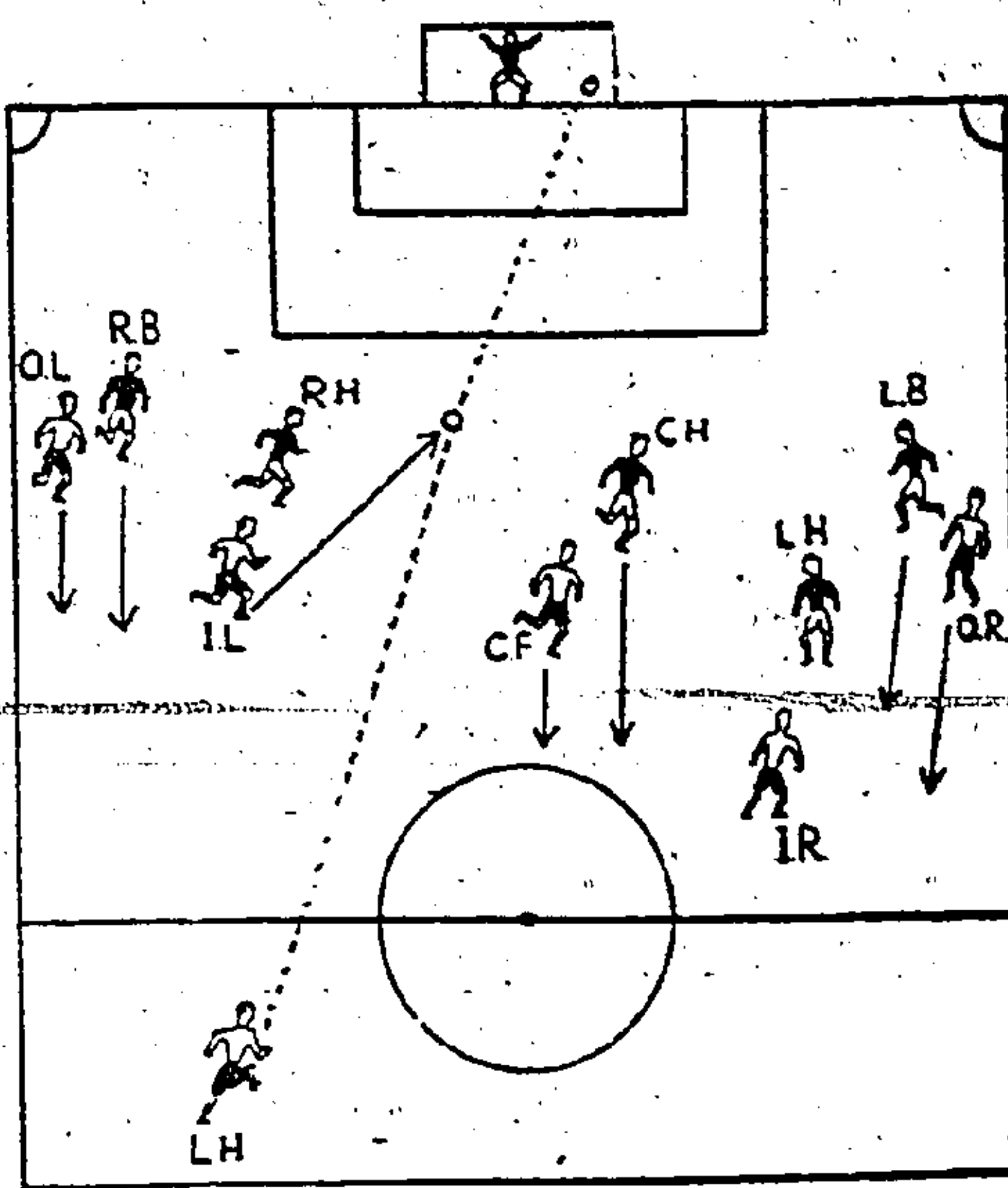
In The Gallery

Thursday, on most grounds, is a repeat of Wednesday, and Friday is a massage day after a few sprints to loosen up.

In addition there is usually a well-equipped gymnasium with punch bags, table tennis, parallel bars, medicine balls, ropes, vaulting horse and a billiards table for relaxation.

But the game most Derby players enjoy is the Shooting Gallery forward till the forwards are kicking footballs to hit black squares at the other end of the alley. It is a valuable shooting aid, and any youngster can make one for himself by chalking a square on any wall, and note how many times he can hit it with a dead or moving ball.

And so Saturday arrives—the day that really counts.



Colony Lawn Tennis Championships

In spite of the rain yesterday, several matches in the Colony Tennis Championships at the Ladies Recreation Club were played off.

There were no upsets but in the Ladies Doubles Championship, a close match was seen between Mrs. Scholes and Mrs. Tamworth when they beat Miss Rosie Rumbahn and Mrs. Irene Souza by two straight sets, the score being 6-4, 6-4.

In the only Mixed Doubles match, D. Tsai and Miss W. K. Mok beat Mr. and Mrs. Bushbaum in straight sets.

French Tennis Tournament

Paris, September 27. The start of the competition proper in the lawn tennis cup contest here under the auspices of the French Lawn Tennis Federation was made today on the Roland Garros Courts.

The outstanding results were: Men's Singles (First Round):—Henri Cochet (France) beat Jacques Jomouretti (France) by 6-3, 6-4. Herald Weiss (Argentina) beat De Gales (France) by 6-3 and 6-2. Pedro Masip (Spain) beat Paul Boulogne (France) by 6-0 and 6-1. Robert Van Meergeren (Holland) beat Jean Brisson (France) by 7-5 and 6-1.

Men's Singles (Second Round):—Cochet beat Robert Dubie (France) by 2-6, 6-3 and 6-3. Weiss beat De Kermadec (France) by 6-3, 4-6 and 6-1. Masip beat Pedro Masip (Belgium) by 6-4 and 6-1. Van Meergeren beat Jacques Pelen (Belgium) by 6-3 and 6-4.

Women's Singles (First Round):—Mrs. H. Weiss (Argentina) beat Mrs. Joseito Jomouretti (France) by 6-4 and 6-0.—Reuter.

N.Y. YANKEES MANAGER AND PLAYERS FINED

Chicago, September 27. The American League President, Will Harridge, today fined New York Yankees manager Casey Stengel and the Yankee players, Ralph Houk and Cliff Mapes, for their part in an argument with the umpire, Bill Grieve, in the eighth inning of Monday's baseball game.

Grieve called the Boston Red Sox runner, John Pesky, safe at home with the winning run. Stengel was fined \$150 for pushing Grieve; catcher Houk was fined \$150 for "unnecessary demonstration"; and outfielder Mapes who did not play in the game, was fined \$200 for accusing Grieve after the game and accusing him of betting on the game.

Mapes must make a public apology to Grieve or be suspended.—United Press.

WASHBROOK SIGNS AGAIN FOR LANCERS

Manchester, September 27. Cyril Washbrook, the England opening batsman, has re-signed professional terms for Lancashire. This ends the rumours that he would play as an amateur next season and would possibly captain the county side.—Reuter.

Beating The Off-Side Trap

(By PETER DOHERTY)

Beating an offside trap is the easiest thing in the world—if you have a plan.

The Aston Villa defence used to be pastmasters at throwing forwards offside simply by moving forward a few paces.

George Cummings their left-back, and Callaghan, centre-half, were both geniuses in the art.

Yet Derby County beat them at their own game in one match. We arranged that our wingers and centre-forward should lie deep and move back with the defence.

The inside-forwards, who are usually in on-side positions, had instructions to wait for long passes down the middle. It worked so well that I got five goals.

They were the easiest goals I ever got in my life—in fact they were presented to me by the Villa defence, who did not tumble quickly to our scheme.

ARMY FIRST IN WEEKLY COLLEGE FOOTBALL RATING

New York, September 27. The Lambert Trophy Committee today placed the Army, last year's winner, first on its opening weekly rating of the 1949 Eastern college football teams.

The cadet team, rated off its 47-7 victory over Davidson last Saturday, receiving 985 points.

Villanova, which humbled Pennsylvania State, 27-6, was placed second with 982 points while Cornell received 981 points on the basis of its 27-0 victory over Niagara.

The complete ratings, not including teams which have not yet played, were: Army, 985; Villanova, 983; Cornell, 982; Pittsburgh, 978; Georgetown, 978; Boston College and Colgate, 977; Holy Cross, 976 each; Boston University and Harvard, 975 each; Princeton, 974; Rutgers, 973; Yale, 972; Navy, 971; Columbia and Lafayette, 970 each; Syracuse, 969; Delaware, Lehigh, Schenectady and Temple, 968 each; Muhlenberg, 967; Rochester 966, Amherst, Connecticut and Williams, 965 each; Maine, Massachusetts, Niagara, Tufts and Union, 964 each; Buffalo Coast Guard and Springfield, 963 each; Gettysburg, 962.—United Press.

6,500 GUINEAS FOR A FILLY

Newmarket, September 27. Mr. George Beeby, the Compton trainer, paid the highest price at the Newmarket yearling sales today when he went to 6,500 guineas to secure a filly by Nasrullah out of Marshfield.

Mr. F. Armstrong was the underbidder for the filly, who is a half-sister to Ann Denise, a winner of several sprints when trained by Mr. Beeby.

There was spirited bidding for the Irish-bred Sarzana, a filly of Stardust out of Orama, for whom Mr. George Colling, the Newmarket trainer, went to 4,200 guineas.

The total for the morning session was 29,210 guineas for 37 lots, giving an average of 913 guineas. At the evening session, the aggregate amounted to 21,075 guineas for 21 lots, giving an average of 1,040 guineas.—Reuter.

SUCCESS AFTER EIGHT ATTEMPTS

Newmarket, September 27. The Irish-bred seven-year-old Combined Operations, former champion of India, won his first race in eight attempts this season when he was successful in the Great Eastern Handicap, run over six furlongs here today.

After a thrilling race with a 100 to 7 chance, Companion Way, who is less than half his age, Combined Operations just held on to win by a head. Ridden by Australian-born Tommy Burn, he started at 100 to 8 against.

The 5 to 1 second favourite, Rob Gets Busy, was a further three lengths away third in a field of 15 runners.—Reuter.

RUGGER SCORES

London, September 27. The following were the results of rugby games played today: Rugby Union: Exeter 8 Bath 18. Plymouth 8 Abertillery 13.—Reuter.

Pompey Tipped To Beat The Wolves

(By "ALBION")

Interest in soccer in England this week will be centred on the game at Fratton Park, where Pompey will do battle with the seemingly unstoppable Wolves.

I'm going to plump for a home win which will also inflict upon the Wolves their first defeat of the season. I do this with knowledge of what Portsmouth did last season when they soundly thrashed the Wolves to the tune of 5-0.

Another interesting game in this league will be the West Brom - Liverpool encounter. Although in previous Division I matches the Throstles have always taken full points with plenty to spare, I think somehow that Liverpool, this season, will prove just that little bit to classify for them. A pretty safe away win this.

Birmingham the present Woodcock-sports of this Division, have Bolton as their opponents in Saturday's game and will be expected to win.

Manchester United, although placed third in the league, do not seem to be the power they were last season—perhaps the heavier grounds which usually accompany October weather will see them settle down. This week they have Sunderland as their visitors and should be considered as a safe home bet.

Middlesboro's 3-0 win away at Charlton last week was quite an achievement and should stand them in very good stead for their home game with Manchester City.

A Comfortable Lead

In Division II, the Spurs have now a comfortable three points lead over their nearest rivals, Sheffield Wednesday, and should further improve their lead at the expense of Bradford, whom they entertain at White Hart Lane this week.

West Ham, who are also staking a very definite claim for promotion candidates this season, are at home to Preston.

This should prove to be an excellent game, with the result in doubt up to the final whistle. I'm giving the Hammers a win by virtue of their being the home team.

Hull City, who crashed so badly at Sheffield last week, will have to hustle to beat the Fishermen.

Grimsby's 4-0 win over Sheffield United last Saturday was no mean achievement and will no doubt lead the City defence quite a merry dance.

Quite A Race

There is quite a race on in the Third Division (South), where Notts County lead by a point over four other rivals.

The County, however, have two games in hand over most of them and a terrific goal average of 22-8 in their favour.

This week's game with Leyton Orient should be a walk-over for them.

Reading, the present runners up in this league, are away to rivals Southampton and this should prove to be quite a ding-dong struggle for supremacy with, perhaps, the "Blighties" coming out on top.

Manfield, who last week defeated Doncaster, look quite a good away win in their match with Tranmere this Saturday.

Doncaster, as well, should easily account for Hartlepool at home.

Forecasts

Forecast for matches to be played on Saturday October 1, 1949:

DIVISION I

BIRMINGHAM v Bolton
BLACKPOOL v Fulham
Chelsea v Burnley
DERBY v Arsenal
EVERTON v Charlton
Huddersfield v Villa
MAN. UNITED v Sunderland
MIDDLESBORO v Man. City
Newcastle v Stoke
PORTSMOUTH v Wolves
West Brom v LIVERPOOL

DIVISION II

Barnsley v SWANSEA
Blackburn v Plymouth
Brentford v SHEFFIELD W.
BURY v Leicester
CARDIFF v Chesterfield
COVENTRY v Southampton
Hull v GRIMSBY
Luton v Leeds
Sheffield U. v Queens P.R.
SPURS v Bradford
WEST HAM v Preston N.E.

Baseball Scores

New York, September 27. The Boston Red Sox defeated the Senators, 6-4, at Washington. The St. Louis Cardinals had their National League lead cut to one game tonight when Pittsburgh Pirates defeated them 6-4. The scores were:

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	R	H	E
Boston Red Sox	6	12	0
Washington Senators	4	7	0

Winning pitcher: Doosen.

Philadelphia	1	4	0
New York	3	4	0

Winning pitcher: Vic Raschi, loser Dick Fowler.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Chicago	4	8	1
Cincinnati	5	17	0

Winning pitcher: Ken Raffensberger, loser Johnny Schmitz.

St. Louis Cardinals	4	10	3
Pittsburgh Pirates	6	8	1

Winning pitcher: Werle. —United Press and Associated Press.

HKFC - RECREIO BOWLS TEAMS

The Hong Kong Football Club will be entertaining the lawn bowlers, Champions of Club de Recreio "B" team of Division II, to a friendly game of bowls at Happy Valley on Sunday, October 2, at 3.30 p.m.

The following are the teams:

HKFC

J.S. Howell, H.R.L. Dorrington, A.W. Howcock, N.J. Robinson (Skip), A. McAlpine, R.R. Davies, A. Roberts, J.A.R. Selby (Skip), G.S. Brown, E.L. Strane, T. Eile, V.L. Bradford (Skip).

Reserves: L.F. Hamley and L.C. Strane. If any of the above are not available, it is requested that they notify the No. 1 Boy at the Club immediately.

RECREIO "B"

L.S. Silva, M.P. Pina, A.V. Gossao, C.C. Pereira (Skip), A.M. Silva, P.A. Costa, N.A. Beltrao, A.A. Lopes (Skip), R.M.V. Elzeiro, B. Pinto, J.C. Remedios, A.F. Noronha (Skip).

KCC CRICKET TEAM

The cricket match between members of the Kowloon Cricket Club, arranged for last Saturday, will now be played this Saturday. There will be a meeting of cricketers after the game.

The teams:—

K.C.C. XI: A. Zimmer, W.H. Colvill, W.M. Davidson, T.A. Mear, J.A. Bellars, W.H. Cowie, D.C. White, C.W. Bentley, H.A. Wood, D.C. Serrour, E. Randall, P. Grimpe, K.A. Serron, J. Chubb, C.J. Smith, Y. Horne and P. Zimmer.

K.C.C. XI: J. Leriot, W.D.M. Webb, H. Bate, A.T. Lee, C.F. Smith, V.E. Bond, S.E. Lawrence, R.A. Jones, R.F. Brown, G.R. Thorne, E.R. Rossett, R.G. Labrum, A.P. Wood, D. Langston-Jones, W.V. Baker, A. Stuppi and N.P. Smith.

IRC CRICKET

Cricket match will be played at the Indian Recreation Club on Saturday between teams captained by A.R. Abbas and M. I. Bazzel. The game will start at 1.30 p.m.